

Nominations now being accepted for Chickasaw Nation Hall of Fame

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2011 class of the Chickasaw Nation Hall of Fame.

Nominations must be received at Chickasaw Nation Headquarters by the end of the business day, March 11, 2011.

Hall of Fame nominees may be living or deceased.

Nominees must have distinguished themselves in their business, profession, craft, or vocation, thereby bringing honor to the Chickasaw Nation, and/or have made outstanding

contributions to the Chickasaw Nation or society in general.

Inductees must be citizens of the Chickasaw Nation or be eligible to become a citizen of the Nation.

Elected officials of the Chick-

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89.5 FM streaming online broadcast available

Connections call-in show to be featured on KCNP

KCNP, the Chickasaw Nation's community radio station, will debut a new program in March.

Connections will feature a weekly guest or guests and will cover a variety of topics and issues of interest. The program premieres Wednesday, March 2 and will air live every Wednesday at 11 a.m. CDT.

Connections was initiated by Gov. Bill Anoatubby in response to a suggestion that came up during a recent visit with tribal citizens.

"Chickasaws will now have

a new place to share ideas and learn about what is happening within the Chickasaw Nation," Gov. Anoatubby said.

"When listeners have the opportunity to ask questions about topics in which they have and interest, then have them answered on the radio, it makes us all feel more connected. This is why the name *Connections* was chosen for the program."

Listeners will be invited to call the show's toll-free line at 1-TLK-895-KCNP (1-855-895-5267) to talk to each week's

guest. Questions and comments for guests can also be emailed to feedback@kcnpradio.org

Upcoming show topics will be published in future issues of *The Chickasaw Times*.

Connections and other KCNP programming can be heard locally in the Ada area on 89.5 FM. Streaming online programming of KCNP can be accessed at www.kcnpradio.org throughout the country.

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Upcoming topics

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March 2

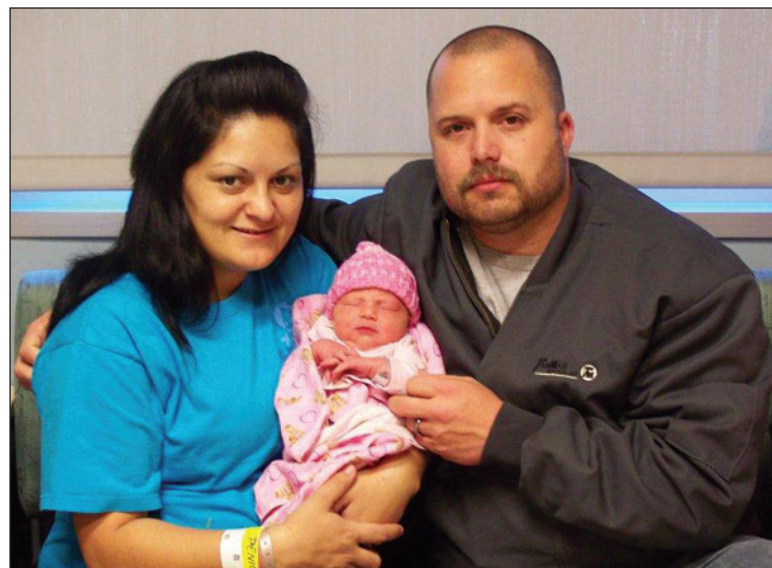
"Keeping Fit"

March 9

"Diabetes Prevention and Treatment"

March 16

"Chickasaw History"



Newborn Brailee Jean Miller, and her parents, Brandon and Betty Miller at the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center.

Chickasaw Nation Medical Center welcomes 'First Baby of 2011'

ADA, Okla. - Brailee Jean Miller, daughter of Ada residents Brandon and Betty Miller, is the first baby to be born at the new Chickasaw Nation Medical Center in 2011.

The Chickasaw girl was born at 12:16 a.m., Jan. 1, 2011. She weighed 7 pounds, 2.2 ounces and measured 18.5 inches at birth.

Mrs. Miller said she was "very thankful" to the Medical Center staff for taking care of her and her baby.

"The staff was awesome," Mrs. Miller said. "It's nice to know there are people who

care about other people."

Brailee's siblings are McKenzie Alford, 4, and Kaylee Miller, 7.

Maternal grandparents are Anita Howell and David Robertson. Paternal grandparents are Ronnie Miller, Denise and Mike Zimmerman.

The Chickasaw Nation Medical Center is located at 1921 Stonecipher Blvd. in Ada. For more information about the Center, please visit www.chickasaw.net or call (580) 436-3980 or (800) 851-9136.

CONTRIBUTED BY Sharmina Manandhar, tribal media relations.

Chickasaw Times online version

Staying up-to-date with Chickasaw citizens, services and events just got easier with an upgrade to the *Chickasaw Times* online version.

Launched in late 2010, the

"turn-by turn" pages and easy-to-navigate toolbar, located at the top of each page, offer many new features, including a search tab. Cut, paste and

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asaw Nation are not eligible for induction into the Chickasaw Nation Hall of Fame while holding office. Current tribal employees are also ineligible for nomination.

Chickasaws who are inducted into the Chickasaw Nation Hall of Fame are requested to be present for the banquet and induction ceremonies in August 2011.

A nomination form is available on the Chickasaw Nation

website at www.chickasaw.net/hof

Nominations should be sent to Michele Tingle, Chickasaw Cultural Center, 867 Charles Cooper Memorial Road, Sulphur, OK 73086 or emailed to Michele.tingle@chickasaw.net

For more information contact Michele Tingle at (580) 622-7134.

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Hall of Fame details

Membership in the Chickasaw Nation Hall of Fame is an award presented to a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation whose contribution(s) to the nation have been of great importance. The award is presented annually. The award may be made for Chickasaw citizens either living or deceased, but no current Chickasaw Nation employee or elected official of the tribal government who is currently serving a term of office.

To be eligible to receive this honor, the nominee must have distinguished himself or herself in his or her business, profession, craft, or vocation, there by bringing honor to the Chickasaw Nation, and/or have made outstanding contributions to the Chickasaw Nation or society in general. Inductees must be an enrolled citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.

Nominations should contain the following information:

The full and complete name of the citizen being nominated, along with the current address of the individual, if

living.

A complete and detailed description of the activity or activities of the person and the reason(s) for his/her importance to the Chickasaw Nation.

A short biographical sketch of the person being nominated (not to exceed one page).

A photograph of the person being nominated. Photos will be returned.

The complete name, address, and telephone number of the person making the nomination.

Nomination Rules:

Nominations may be made by anyone.

The person who is nominated must be an enrolled Chickasaw citizen, or be eligible for citizenship. Proof may be required by the committee.

Any citizen is eligible for nomination except a current Chickasaw Nation employee or an elected official of the tribe who is currently serving in office.

To complete the official nomination form, please visit www.chickasaw.net/hof

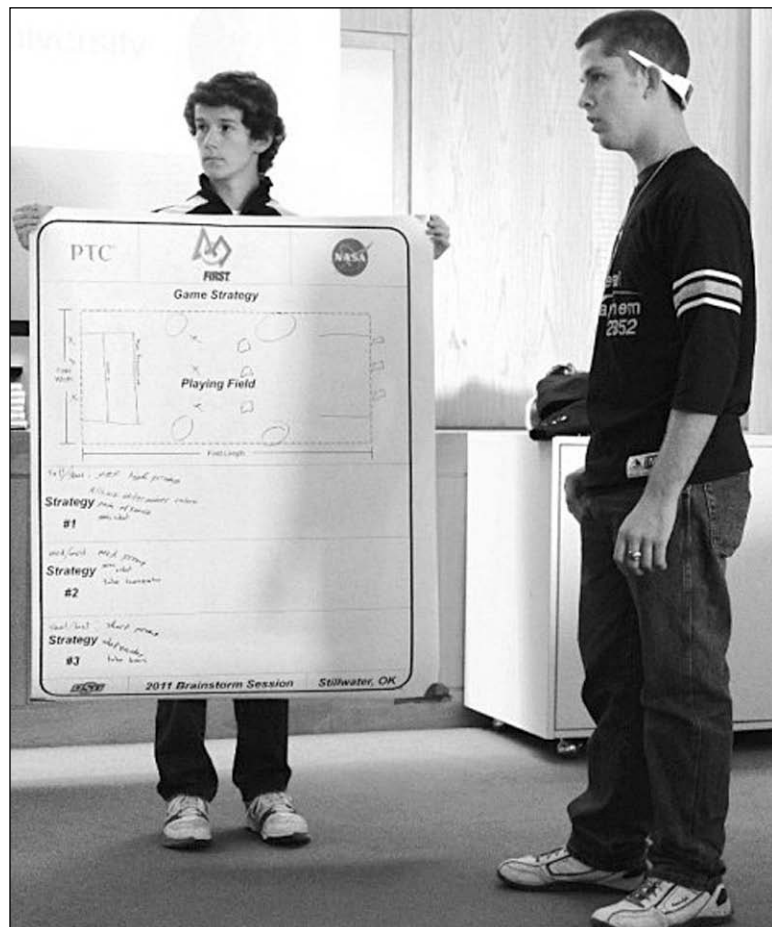
Metal Mayhem kicks off 2011 robotics season

STILLWATER, Okla. - Chickasaw Nation robotics team Metal Mayhem joined other teams throughout the state on January 8 at the Wes Watkins Center in Stillwater to kickoff the 2011 Oklahoma FIRST Robotics Competition.

The theme for 2011 is LOGO MOTION. Teams are required to learn about the theme objectives and design and construct robots to enter in the competitions. At the kickoff, teams were given a kit of parts that included batteries, motors, a control system and a combination of automation parts. No instructions were provided. It is up to the teams and their mentors to design the robots to meet the engineering challenge within the six weeks allowed.

The teams are judged on how well the robots complete the field competition objectives. Metal Mayhem will compete at the Oklahoma Regional on March 17-19 at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City.

The Metal Mayhem team consists of Chickasaw students ages 14 to 18 from the Ada area. This year's team members are Billy Bonner, Malachi Brown, Lorenzo Charqueno, Kaylen Donelson, Melissa Ellis, Justin Frazier, John-Luke Garber, Andrea Gourley, Sean Jesse, Latisha Miller, Kagan St. Clair-Shelton, Jessica Sanchez, Shane Sellers, Steffani Silva, Michael Stick, Michael Thomas, Josh Tingle, Clay Warren, Meagan Wright and Nathan Wright.



Seniors Nathan Wright, left, and Michael Thomas brainstorm strategy ideas for their robot.

Metal Mayhem was formed through a national organization called FIRST - For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology. The mission of FIRST is to inspire young people to be science and technology leaders by engaging them in exciting mentor-based programs. Through the FIRST Robotics program, students gain engineering and technology skills, inspire innovation and develop self-confidence, communication and leadership skills.

FIRST Robotics is known as "a varsity sport for the mind." It combines sport with science and technology.

With limited resources, time limits and rules and regulations, teams are challenged to raise funds, design a team brand, develop teamwork skills and build and program robots to perform tasks for competition play. Students experience real-world engineering from problem solving to design techniques and technological challenges.

For more information about the Metal Mayhem team, contact the science, technology and math program manager Sara Willie at (580) 421-7711.

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Our tribal 'return' is measured in the fullness of Chickasaw lives

The Chickasaw Nation is structured as the United States government is structured. The U.S. Constitution and the Chickasaw Constitution both create executive, legislative and judicial branches with checks and balances that keep the power of government within the boundaries set by law.

This means each branch of government "checks and balances" the others to maintain proper government procedure and performance. No one branch can dominate the others based on the Constitutional guidelines.

And it is you – the citizen voter – who makes the decisions regarding the people who will hold office in the three branches of government. This democratic system ensures those of us who serve you in government are accountable to you and your fellow Chickasaw citizens.

It is incumbent on all of us who have been chosen by you to serve, to dedicate ourselves to fulfill the mission of the Chickasaw Nation – "To enhance the overall quality of life of the Chickasaw People."

As you probably know, the Chickasaw Nation is now the 13th largest federally-recognized tribe in



GOV. BILL ANOATUBBY

**Governor,
the Chickasaw
Nation**

the country. We are also recognized as one of the most progressive and forward-thinking tribes among all the 563 tribes. We are in this position because we have planned carefully, executed our plans thoroughly and stayed the course when challenges arose.

And always, we have remained true to our mission.

When we make a decision regarding a program, a service, an acquisition, an expansion, a building – whatever the purpose – we make sure the action makes sense and will serve the people well.

A good example is our new Chickasaw Nation Medical Center. This facility required a significant investment by the tribe. How do we calculate our return on this critically important investment? Certainly, we would not calculate our benefit in dollars. While it is obviously important we operate our Medical Center

in a proper business fashion, the true benefit is obvious – the improved health and well-being of Chickasaw people.

Another good example is a Chickasaw senior site. We now have 11 senior sites throughout the Chickasaw Nation. Each serves a number of Chickasaw

elders and others each weekday. Our elders receive a good meal, great fellowship and access to computers and other resources. We obviously have made major investments in our elder programs, and the return is a vibrant, joyful and healthy elder population.

The Chickasaw Nation is all about Chickasaw people – there's no other way to say it!

We are blessed to have developed successful tribal businesses that fund the lion's share of all our endeavors. In the case of our businesses, we operate to provide excellent experiences for our customers, and great financial returns for our tribe. It is a balance that requires tremendous employees, management and execution, and we do it with our own internal management, not an outside management company.

I'm happy to report our business team is producing growing returns that help propel our work to positively impact Chickasaw lives everywhere.

In my daily work, I talk with many Chickasaw people in many different walks of life. Unfailingly, the Chickasaws with whom I interact have a deep interest in the success of our tribe, and our people.

Our tribe is set up to be democratic, to encourage thought and to focus on service to Chickasaw people and families. By keeping our ideals clear and by working together, we will achieve new heights of success. The key, as always, is helping Chickasaw people everywhere, every day.

'Edmund Pickens'

A leader during a time of change, and the evolution of the Chickasaw republic

Okchantubby, also known as Edmund Pickens, was a widely trusted leader during a time of Removal from the Homeland and the transition from a traditional governing structure to one more modern in form and appearance.

As one of those who maintained a leadership role during this time of transition, Pickens seemed to help Chickasaws understand that the change in government structure would not diminish the voice of the Chickasaw people.

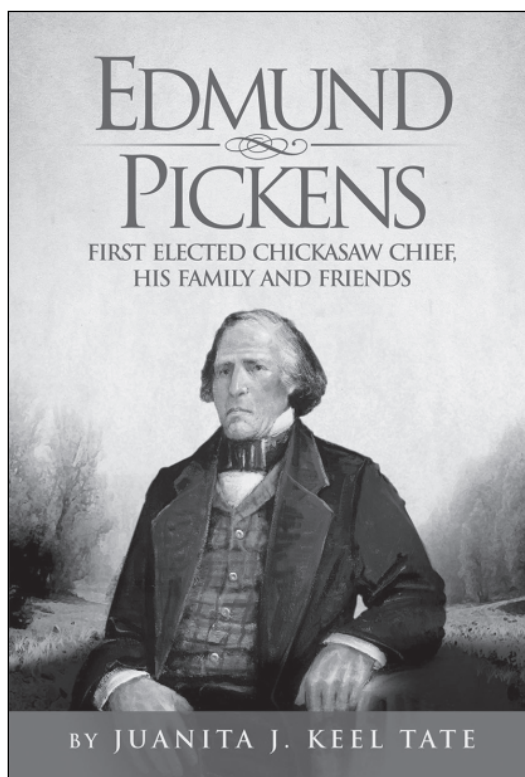
Written by the great-granddaughter of this esteemed Chickasaw leader, "Edmund Pickens" goes beyond what could have been a somber retelling of historical facts. Instead, author Juanita J. Keel Tate helps the reader better understand the emotional impact this tumultuous time in history likely had on Chickasaws.

Mrs. Tate provides an imaginative account of what may have been said and felt by those attending the last meet-

ing at Monroe Mission prior to Removal.

Mrs. Tate also quotes correspondence, treaties and other primary historical accounts to convey a better sense of the culture and society during this period of transitions. Not only were Chickasaws adapting to a new home in Indian Territory, they were also adapting to a relatively new system of governance.

As Mrs. Tate notes, the Chickasaw people were living in what was known as the Chickasaw District of the Choctaw Nation. They were also participating in a shared Choctaw/Chickasaw governmental structure, where they felt their voice did not carry sufficient influence. Many Chickasaws were unhappy with that state of affairs, and took part in efforts to reestablish the Chickasaw



Nation as a separate entity.

Ishtehotopa served as a traditional Chickasaw Chief for the first part of this transitional period. He was serving in that position, when the first

version of a Chickasaw Constitution, aimed at protecting the freedom of Chickasaw freedom and property, was drafted in 1846.

Chickasaw people were also petitioning the federal government for separate government. During this time, Edmund Pickens served as tribal treasurer and second controlling chief.

In 1847 Ishtehotopa became ill and eventually died. Because Ishtehotopa had no sons to succeed him in this position, Edmund Pickens became the first elected chief of the Chickasaws.

While this is definitely a significant event in Chickasaw history, Mrs. Tate implies that formal

voting was not the sea change it may seem at first glance. She points out that "Edmund Pickens had the respect and trust of practically every Chickasaw

citizen."

Historically, power and influence of Chickasaw chiefs, or Mikos, has always been determined more by reputation than heredity. In that sense, Chickasaw leadership and governance has always been much more like a representative democracy or republic than an autocracy, or monarchy.

Decisions have historically been made by a consensus of Chickasaw people or by leaders trusted to represent the best interest of the people.

Edmund Pickens was such a leader. Even before he was elected chief he served as tribal treasurer and represented the Chickasaw people on trips to Washington, D.C.

As Mrs. Tate wrote, "Edmund Pickens assumed the office of Chickasaw Tribal Chief with the full confidence of the Chickasaw people."

CONTRIBUTED BY Tony Choate, tribal media relations.

Octogenarian, WWII veteran, teacher and - at long last - Chickasaw citizen

TISHOMINGO, Okla. - Two artifacts of Chickasaw history were recently added the Chickasaw Nation Council House Museum collection, thanks to the generosity of a dynamic Chickasaw woman.

Jeraldine "Jerry" Brown, 89, donated a photo of her mother's alma mater, Bloomfield Academy, and her mother's art created at the school. Mrs. Brown made the trip from her home in Edmond, Okla., to the museum last month.

"I don't have to worry about (the pictures) because they are in the right place, and mother would be so thrilled," Mrs. Brown said.

She saw a television commercial featuring the Chickasaw Nation and concluded she needed to donate the items to the museum.

"I thought these needed to be someplace where they could be cared for and be safe," she said. "And my kids thought it was great!"

Bloomfield Days

Mrs. Brown's mother, Annie Rennie Colbert-Meek, enrolled in the Chickasaw girls' boarding school at age 11 and attended Bloomfield through graduation.

Bloomfield Academy was established by the Chickasaw Nation in 1852 near present day Durant, Okla., as a boarding school for Chickasaw girls. It remained in operation until January 1914 when the school was destroyed by fire.

Girls in long dresses playing on a basketball court in front of the dormitory are featured in the black and white photo Mrs. Brown donated.

"My mother thought Bloomfield was heaven, she said.

"She would tell us about her time there and would paint these beautiful pictures in my imagination of Bloomfield."

When Mrs. Brown was a child and did something "horrible," her mother would threaten to send her to boarding school as punishment for disobeying.

"Well, after all the wonderful things she told us about Bloomfield, I wanted to go to boarding school, so I would do it again," she laughed.

A framed pen-and-ink portrait of a man playing a violin was also donated to the muse-



Chickasaw Nation Council House Museum curator Ann Fink, left, and Ardmore Area Office Director Randy Neasbitt accept donations of a Bloomfield photo and artwork from Chickasaw citizen Jeraldine Brown.

um. The artwork was a senior project by Mrs. Brown's mother.

Up until her death, her mother attended the "Beautiful Bloomfield Blossoms" reunion every Christmas.

"My mother was getting dressed to go to that party when she had the stroke that killed her," Mrs. Brown said. "The only thing that made me

"My mother thought Bloomfield was heaven." -

Jeraldine "Jerry" Brown

Chickasaw citizen

mad was she should have been coming home from the party instead of going. She and her sisters went to the reunion every year."

Her family witnessed many historical events, which are now integral parts of state and tribal history.

Perched on a covered wagon, her mother was only three when she watched the land run along the banks of the Canadian River near Purcell.

Mrs. Brown's grandfather, Joseph Edward Colbert, served as the first secretary of the Chickasaw Legislature in the early 1900s. During her trip to the museum last month, she was thrilled when she spotted him in a group photo of the 1905-06 Chickasaw lawmakers.

Living History

Mrs. Brown has experienced her fair share of history, as well.

Two months after graduating

from Oklahoma A&M in 1943, she enlisted in the U.S. Army.

When asked why she decided to join the army, she answered, "Because there was a war and they needed us." During her service, she worked in the Pentagon in a top secret photo lab. Under tight security, she developed and printed photos from the Enola Gay, the U.S. B-29 bomber that dropped the first atomic bomb on Japan during World War II.

"We were not allowed to talk to anyone and we were under armed guard," she said. "Until (photos of the devastation) came up on the printer, we didn't understand why. You could see the (bomb) drop and every frame would be closer, and the tail camera would capture the devastation."

One of her favorite memories during her time in the Pentagon is when First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt visited the lab.

"She came through the Pentagon and to the lab and personally thanked us," Mrs. Brown said. "She was a very gracious lady, and of course we were all thrilled."

Life After the Army

After the service, she married, moved to Edmond in 1946, had two children and obtained a master's degree from Central State University (now University of Central Oklahoma). She taught sixth grade for many years.

Recent Milestone

Mrs. Brown recently obtained her CDIB card, thanks to the



Chickasaw Nation Ardmore Area Office Director Randy Neasbitt, left, and tribal veteran program coordinator Ted Underwood present Jeraldine Brown with a Chickasaw Nation Veterans jacket and medal at the Council House Museum. Mrs. Brown served in the U.S. Army during World War II and recently obtained her CDIB documentation.

help of Chickasaw Nation Ardmore Area office staff Carol Snyder.

Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Snyder met by chance at a doctor's appointment.

"She saw I was Native American and we started talking and that's where it all started," said Mrs. Snyder.

Mrs. Brown enjoys possessing an official CDIB card, but never had a doubt of her heritage.

"I was five or six years old before I knew we were anything but Chickasaw," she laughed.

Mrs. Brown lives in Edmond where she is a substitute teacher and volunteers at OU Medical Center.

For more information about Chickasaw Nation Boarding School, visit www.chickasaw.net/schooldays.

CONTRIBUTED BY Dana Lance, tribal media relations.

Working together key to helping Chickasaw people

I am honored to serve as chairman of our Chickasaw Tribal Legislature. As a tribe we have accomplished much – and there is much more we can do for the Chickasaw people!

It is a privilege to serve the Pickens District, and all the Chickasaw Nation, as your legislative chairman. I believe we are getting off on the right foot and have a number of great initiatives in the works. As these plans come to completion, my goal is to produce the greatest and most positive impact possible on Chickasaw people everywhere!

During the January legislative session there were three general resolutions approved. All three were important and received support from all the legislators.



DAVID
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Chairman,
Chickasaw
Tribal
Legislature

The legislature approved the budget amendment for the new Newcastle Gaming Center. This business facility has been a real success over time for the tribe. It attracts a certain niche of clientele and has been very profitable. The facility has been in need of an upgrade, and this amendment approves that work.

The legislature also approved the budget amendment for the new Ardmore Senior Site. This is a very important project designed to provide improved facilities and services to our elders in the Ardmore area.

The final resolution involved acquiring property in Johnston County. The passage of this resolution approved the negotiation for purchase of a number of land and lot parcels surrounding our Historic Capitol in Tishomingo. These acquisitions will provide much more space for all Chickasaws to enjoy and participate in the Annual Meeting and Chickasaw Festival.

As your tribal legislature chairman it is my duty to lead this branch of our Chickasaw government. I take that responsibility seriously and will work very hard to achieve the things that are good for the Chickasaw people.

We have three branches of government and all three are on equal footing. I believe it is important to work together with the other branches to produce the outcomes that benefit the people the most. I believe that if we keep the Chickasaw people uppermost in our minds at all times, we will meet with success.

As a longtime businessman, I appreciate the professional management and analysis we receive from the 17 tribal administrators who oversee our operations. We are fortunate to have a team dedicated to the goals of assisting the Chickasaw people and responding to their needs.

Please call or email me anytime I can be of help to you.

Job 1 is providing the tools to Chickasaws

As secretary of the Chickasaw Nation Legislature, I want to provide just a short review of actions taken in the January session. It was a short session with only three resolutions.

General Resolution #GR28-015 – Approval of Development Budget Amendment of the new Newcastle Gaming building.

General Resolution #GR28-016 – Approval of Development Budget Amendment of the new Ardmore Senior Citizens Center.

General Resolution #GR28-017 – Authorization for Acquisition of Real Property in Johnston County.

Each of these resolutions was approved unanimously.



DEAN
MCMANUS

Secretary,
Chickasaw
Tribal
Legislature

We have had some discussion lately regarding the business terms “return on investment” and “return on equity.” These are terms used primarily by business people and investors to determine if the money they are investing or dedicating to a specific purpose is paying a decent dividend, or return.

I want to say right up front that I believe the very best investments we as the Chickasaw Nation make are those we make in people.

My desire is to provide the funds for our young (and sometimes not so young!) people to get great educations that lead to great careers.

I want our people to have clean, safe and affordable housing, the very best medical care and easy access to all our tribal programs and services.

I think it’s impossible to put an actual number on what all of these things are worth – because they are priceless in what they provide Chickasaw people.

For me, my job as your legislator is all about you and the Chickasaw people I serve. I see my job as an opportunity to improve your life.

We receive a regular report from our Division of Commerce administrator Bill Lance. It is obvious to me that Bill and his staff are careful to calculate our return on investment and return on equity. They never recommend a project that takes an extended period to pay off. They understand their job is to be efficient and effective in producing the returns required to fund the essential programs and services to the people.

Thank you for your interest in your tribal government. I am very pleased to now be serving as your Legislative secretary. If you ever have questions or ideas, please feel free to contact me.

New puppy means time for some new excitement at home!

The citizens of the Panola District met last month at the senior center located in Achille, Oklahoma to learn more about the services available through the Tribe. Ms. Sandy Sanders of the Health Care Division was the guest speaker. She discussed the variety of health care services available to Chickasaw members and answered questions. If you are a Panola District residence and were unable to attend or did not receive a notice of the meeting, please contact Ms. Kay Anders, (580) 283- 3979.

Want to go to school or learn a trade? Tired of missing out on the conversation or having to ask for things to be repeated? Our Tribe has services to assist you. Take advantages of these quarterly meeting in the Panola District to learn what the Chickasaw Nation has to offer for you and your family.

Birthday wishes to one of our Chickasaw elders, Mr. Robert Hisaw, (Hi saw) He will be ninety eight years old this month. Robert was born on February 9, 1913, in Stonewall, OK and is the eldest and only son of 8 children born to Charles Nathaniel Hisaw and Nora Middleton, roll #3558. His grandmother was Mary Maytubby. While growing up, the family moved frequently and during his high school years they resided in Parker, Arizona on the reservation. Bob spent his school days playing basketball and other sports. He participated in the 3C Program (Civilian Conservation Corp.) developed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt and spent many years farming and as a mechanic. In 1940 he married Willie Faye Kennedy of Elmore City, Oklahoma.

They have 2 children, Charles and Gloralynn, 3 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. In his lifetime Mr. Hisaw experienced a variety of adventures, such as the “Dust Bowl” and “Great Depression”.

Oh by the way, I forgot to mention my Christmas gift to myself. A Great Dane puppy and a year’s supply of carpet cleaning products! I can’t wait for spring time! Then the little (big) guy can live outside! My husband wonders if I am having empty nest syndrome. No, I just had a weak moment and decided we needed some excitement in our home. After the customary, “trying out of names”, everyone said I would know the right name when I heard it. Oh how true that is! The name of our little edition is officially Tashka Chipota (tush ka cheepota), Chickasaw for young soldier. It fits him. When grown, he will stand approx. 37 inches at the shoulder and weigh in at 150 pounds.

Behold I give unto you power to tread upon serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Luke 10:19

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Robert Hisaw



Robert Hisaw's mom,
Nora Middleton
(roll#3558).



Robert Hisaw's
grandmother, Mary
Maytubby.

Cold weather a reminder of Energy Assistance

Hello Everyone,
I hope your new year has gotten off to a great start and you are looking forward to a wonderful Valentine's Day.

2010 was filled with Chickasaw elections. In addition to the regularly scheduled elections for legislators and judges, we had an additional primary election that resulted in a run off election to fill a vacated legislative seat.

Elections can be incredibly demanding on all involved. Emotional, monetary, family and time sacrifices are often made by a candidate simply desiring to serve his or her people. And, sometimes the sacrifices do not result in a win.



KATIE CASE

Chickasaw
Tribal
Legislature

I just want to say thank you to those 2010 candidates, regardless of the outcome of their respective elections. Thank you for the hours of dedication and the willingness to serve.

I also want to thank everyone who took time to vote. In recent elections, that many votes and sometimes more are thrown out because they lacked signatures.

Our voting instructions and procedures are confusing and need to be simplified. Until then, please carefully read all the instructions when placing your vote. The 2011 campaigns will be here before you know it.

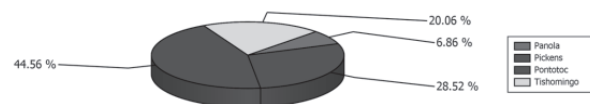
On a different subject, it is very cold in Oklahoma right now. I want to remind elders, caregivers of elders, and family members of elders about the energy assistance program. Remember, elders are eligible to receive assistance twice a year.

As always, it is an honor to serve all Chickasaws. If you need me, just call or come by.

Respectfully,
Katie

Count of Voters by District

Panola	1,772	Pontotoc	11,509
Pickens	7,366	Tishomingo	5,181
		25,828	



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Hello Everyone,
As I write this article, Oklahoma is experiencing another wintry blast. This is the time of year when we seem to just hunker down to make

it through until spring. This is also the time of year when we should be looking out for each other. Staying warm and well become the most important goals in our day to day lives. We sometimes need to be reminded to check on our elderly neighbors. Picking up groceries or giving rides can be lifesavers to them.

We in the Chickasaw Nation hold all our elders in high esteem, and many programs have been developed to make their lives easier.



NANCY ELLIOTT

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If you are 60 years old or older, then you are a Chickasaw elder. The programs are all listed in the new 2011 Program and Services directory, which you can obtain by calling (866)466-1481 or requesting on-line at www.chickasaw.net. If you live within the Chickasaw Nation boundaries, you may be eligible for Chore Services, which provide assistance with basic housekeeping duties, or you may be eligible for the program for Home Maintenance, which provides minor home repairs, which includes weatherization, pest control, installation of handicap ramps or bars, or other miscellaneous services for Chickasaw elders.

For all our Chickasaw elders, those living within the Nation's boundaries as well as those living outside the boundaries, the Elderly Energy Assistance Program is available by application. This program provides one-time assistance for winter heating and one-time assistance for summer cooling. As energy and food prices continue to rise, we must take every opportunity to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

Let me know if I can help you in anyway. Stay warm and well.

Sincerely,
Nancy
Nancy Elliott
Pontotoc District Seat 2
580-399-4374
Nancy.elliott@Chickasaw.net

Court Advocates now available in Ardmore, Ada and Purcell

Court Advocate Services are now available in Ardmore, Ada, and Purcell to assist Native Americans with legal problems.

To make an appointment call 1-800-479-1459. This is a service provided by the tribal court system.

Medical Center offers many new conveniences

Hello and greetings from Legislator Mary Jo Green, Seat 5, Pontotoc District. Well, 2011 is starting out cold, of course. We've already had one snow in Ada and we are expecting another snow storm as I write this. A few more weeks and we should start to see some warmer weather.

The new valet service at the Chickasaw Medical Center is proving to be a big help for patients. I have received several favorable comments from seniors about the new service.



MARY JO GREEN

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Signs mark the way to the valet service. You just drive up to the entrance and give your keys to the personnel there. Entering the facility is easy and comfortable because of the large covering over the entrance. The service is available at both the hospital and the clinic entrances. The valet personnel will even assist with wheelchairs and other walking aids. They will give you a ticket to identify your car.

When you have completed your business in the Medical Center, just present the ticket to the valet personnel and they will get your car for you and you will not have a long walk out through the parking lot to your car. This service is absolutely free to the patrons of the facility. It costs nothing

and tipping the driver is not required.

There are many handicap parking places in a lot that is near the clinic entrance on the northwest corner of the medical center. That lot also contains a few spaces for elderly patients to park. A walk through door for the pharmacy is very near this lot.

The drive-through window is located on the north side of the Medical Center. It works just like it did at the old facility. You call your refill prescriptions into the pharmacy and they will tell you when the prescriptions will be ready to pick up. For new prescriptions, you will have to pick them up inside so the pharmacist can give you any special instructions for them. The Lipid Clinic is in the pharmacy just as it was at the old facility.

The new Chickasaw Medical Center has certainly surpassed all dreams we had when it was first being planned. We are truly blessed to be able to provide such a wonderful facility and excellent health care for our Indian people!

I would love to hear from you. Please contact me through my email address mary.green@chickasaw.net or through the address and telephone number listed elsewhere in this and every issue of *the Chickasaw Times* and on the Chickasaw Nation web site. My articles are also located on the web site. Until next time, I wish God's blessings on all of our people. Thank you.

Honor Guard provides important services

Greetings from the Pickens district! We have a couple of very exciting projects on the horizon in our district. We will be breaking ground very soon for the new medical center in Ardmore. This is a much needed addition for our district. I will provide more details about the services that will be offered as it gets closer to opening time. It will be an ambulatory care center. The second project is a new senior site for Ardmore. The legislature approved a resolution during our January session to move forward with construction of a new site for our elders. Construction is set to begin after the completion of the medical center.

The Division of Arts and Humanities has an exciting endeavor coming up this June. They have announced the Chickasaw Chamber Music Festival will be held June 3 - 5 in Ada at the McSwain Theatre. The first of its kind, the festival will feature American Indian classical music from Chickasaw classical composer and conductor Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate, NAMMY award-winning Yaqui guitarist Gabriel Ayala, Julliard-trained string quartet ETHEL, the southwest's leading professional modern chamber music ensemble Voices of Change and world-renowned Cherokee mezzo soprano soloist Barbara McAlister. Nightly concerts will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a Sunday matinee concert. Please

visit www.chickasaw.net/ccmf for more information.

Additionally, the division of arts and humanities is currently accepting entries for the Anoli Creative Writing Contest. This year's topic is "The Chickasaw I Admire Most." The contest is free and open to enrolled citizens of the Chickasaw Nation. There are three divisions (Grades 6 - 8; 9-12 and young adults through age 24). Entries may be mailed to P.O. Box 1548, Ada, OK, 74820 and are due Friday, February 25. An awards ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. on March 26 at the Youth Arts Month celebration at the Chickasaw Nation Community Center in Ada. We are certainly not lacking in activities to attend in the coming months.

It is a privilege to serve you.

We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. -Romans 8:28

Shana Tate Hammond
Pickens District, Seat 4

Goal as legislator - be responsive to citizens!

Hello,
Thank you to everyone I spoke with during the campaign for your thoughts, ideas, prayers, support and encouragement. To all Chickasaw citizens, I look forward to serving you and your family this coming year.

Since the election I have attended Community Council meetings in Oklahoma City, Newcastle, and Connerville and had a wonderful time at each one. Community Councils are a great place to learn about programs and services the Chickasaw Nation offers. Amy Wampler, Services at Large Case Manager for the Division of Health, was available to answer citizen's questions at the recent OKC council meeting. And Jin Jo Gentry, Outreach Coordinator at Chokka' Kilimpi', presented a cultural program in (corn husk) doll making that everyone in Newcastle enjoyed. There is always great food and fun fellowship with wonderful people. I highly recommend finding the next meeting in your area and checking it out for yourself. (Meetings are listed here in *the Chickasaw Times*).

To be an effective legislator for you and your family, my goal is to hear to your concerns and be responsive - and these meetings are a great place to start.

I would love to hear from you. Please contact me with your concerns, needs or questions. I am here to help.

May God bless you and your family,
Toby Perkins, Legislator
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Youth Art Month Celebration March 26 at Ada Center

Arts, crafts, games, food and special performances are in store Saturday, March 26 when the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities hosts its annual Youth Art Month celebration at the Chickasaw Community Center in Ada.

The celebration will run from 9 a.m. through noon. "Art Unites All People" is this year's celebration theme. During the event, students participate in various art-themed booths provided by departments of the Chickasaw Nation.

Past booths have included vegetable build-a-bug, offered by Nutrition Services and a booth by Chickasaw Press at which participants designed and created their own book covers.

Performances by the Chickasaw Children's Choir and Chickasaw Theatre Company are on the schedule as well as an awards ceremony recognizing the winners of the Chickasaw Nation Anoli Creative Writing Contest.

Each March, the division hosts the carnival-like event to celebrate the national Youth Art Month. Established in 1961, Youth Art Month is sponsored by The Council for Art Education, Inc. and the Art & Creative Materials Institute to emphasize the value of art and art education for all children.

The Chickasaw Community Center is located at 700 North Mississippi.

For more information, contact the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities at (580) 272-5520 or email laura.stewart@chickasaw.net.

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Seat 1

Thank you

Thank you to the Chickasaw voters for your help in my campaign for Chickasaw Legislator. May God continue to bless you and our tribe in the coming year.

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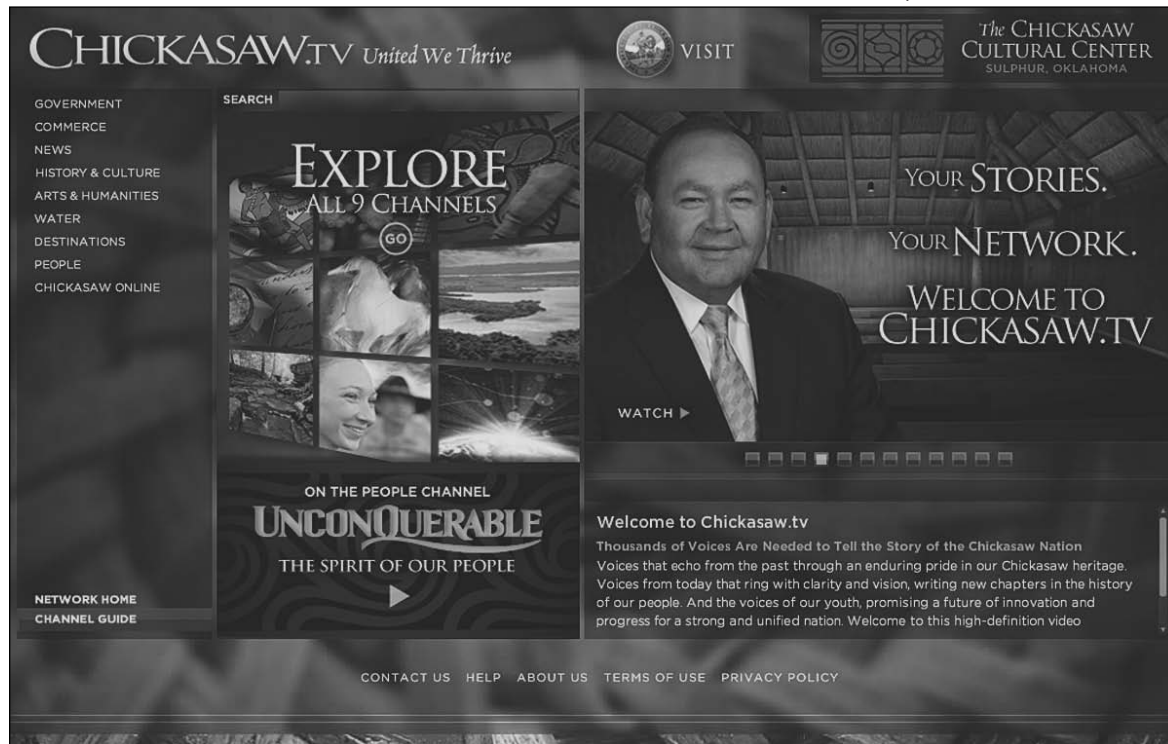
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Chickasaw.tv explores the many aspects of the Chickasaw Nation



Chickasaw.tv - a high-definition online video network focusing on Chickasaw people, history, traditions, art, cultural and services - is now live.

Launched this year, the website is a place for Chickasaw citizens and the rest of the world to view all aspects of Chickasaw life and learn more about the Unconquerable Chickasaw Nation.

"Given its global reach, this network is designed for all Chickasaws, here and around the world," Gov. Bill Anoatubby

said. "As the network of channels grows, we believe it will propel us forward as leaders and as a united tribal nation."

The website consists of nine channels: government, commerce, news, history and culture, arts and humanities, water, destinations, people and Chickasaw online.

The video network offers fascinating stories, timely news, and useful information on a wide variety of topics, including stories about determined Chickasaw people, Chickasaw

Nation destinations around the country, tribal businesses and important issues.

The website currently contains more than 1,000 short videos also covering Chickasaw government, programs and services, History and Culture, Arts and Humanities and events.

CNTV

The website is also home to Chickasaw Nation Television (CNTV), a monthly production highlighting events, people and activities in the Chickasaw Na-



Brad Clonch and Quin Tran host Chickasaw Nation Television (CNTV), a semi-monthly program highlighting events, people and places in the Chickasaw Nation. CNTV is one of hundreds of programs which can be viewed at www.Chickasaw.tv

tion. Viewers will now be able to watch two CNTV shows each month at Chickasaw.tv. A new show airs the first and fifteenth of every month. Archives of the programs are also available on the site.

In addition, Chickasaw.tv has

Nominate an 'Unconquerable' Chickasaw

Chickasaw lawmaker Lisa Billy hosts an ongoing series of stories about the diverse group of people who are featured on the Chickasaw Nation on the People Channel of Chickasaw.tv.

Tell us who you think exemplifies the spirit of the Chickasaw Nation with a

links to other Chickasaw websites, including Chickasaw.net, *the Chickasaw Times*, Bedre Chocolates, the Chickasaw Cultural Center and many more.

For more information and to view this site, please visit www.chickasaw.tv

story that would inspire others by nominating a remarkable Chickasaw for a future story.

The submission form found on "Unconquerable" links on the People Channel. Watch for new stories coming soon.

For more information, please visit www.chickasaw.tv.

THE CHICKASAW NATION is accepting applications for District Court Special Judge

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OF JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT

A judge shall be:

1. a member of the Chickasaw Nation,
2. actually domiciled within the territorial jurisdiction of the Chickasaw Nation,
3. an attorney, or
4. if a non attorney, one must meet all of the following qualifications:
 - a. lay advocate who has regularly practiced before the Court as a member of the Bar of the Court for a period of five years, and
 - b. an Indian graduate of an American Bar Association approved Law School, or a Paralegal program approved by the Chickasaw Nation Supreme Court; and
 - c. have demonstrated moral integrity and fairness in his business, public and private life, and
 - d. have never been convicted of a felony, whether or not actually imprisoned, and have not been convicted of any offense, except traffic offense, and
 - e. be not less than twenty-five years of age, and
 - f. a member of the Chickasaw Nation and actually domiciled within the territorial jurisdiction of the Chickasaw Nation.

See Chickasaw Code at www.chickasaw.net Section 5-202.6 for Duties and Powers of Judges. Salary will be determined by qualifications.

For more information contact the clerks by phone or email:

Supreme Court Clerk, Connie Tillery, at 580-235-0281; Email: Connie.Tillery@chickasaw.net
District Court Clerk, Wayne Joplin at 580-235-0279; Email: Wayne.Joplin@chickasaw.net

Panoramic shots allow online virtual tours of Chickasaw venues

A new feature on the Chickasaw Nation website allows visitors to view panoramic images of several tribal venues.

The 360° photos let people take virtual tours of the historical, educational and entertainment venues in Chickasaw Nation from the comfort of their own homes or offices.

The site currently lists images of the following locations:

- Chickasaw Nation Capitol Building in Tishomingo, Okla.
- Chickasaw Nation Medical Center in Ada, Okla.
- Child Care Development Center in Ada.
- Chickasaw Nation Head-



The interior of the Chickasaw Nation White House in Emet, Okla., is one of the several panoramic images featured in the new 360° photos site.

quarters in Ada.

- Kullihoma Grounds
- McSwain Theatre in Ada
- Chickasaw Nation White House in Emet, Okla.

Clicking on the image of each venue commences the scenic 360° tour of the location. The navigation controls located on the bottom left corner of the page allows the visitors to zoom in or out, move right or left, stop or start auto rotation, etc.

To view the images, please visit the panoramas page at http://www.chickasaw.net/about_us/index_827.htm.

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First-ever festival to feature Indian classical musicians and students

Chickasaw Chamber Music Festival set for June 3-5

ADA, Okla. - Serious students of classical music and those with a more casual curiosity will find something of interest at the inaugural Chickasaw Chamber Music Festival June 3-5 at the McSwain Theatre in Ada.

Chickasaw Nation composer-in-residence [Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate](#) is serving as artistic director of this world's first American Indian chamber music festival.

"The intention of the festival is to showcase American and Indian composers and performers," Mr. Tate said.

Many of the top names among American Indian composers and performers of modern classical music will take part in the festival. This includes performances and instruction from Mr. Tate, Yaqui classical guitarist Gabriel Ayala, Voices of Change, Cherokee

mezzo-soprano Barbara McAlister and ETHEL string quartet.

The festival, Mr. Tate said, could hardly come at a better time.

"Right now there is a great wave of interest in American Indians for the classical fine arts, for both performance and composition," he said. "It is the same thing we've seen in painting, dance, film and literature. There have been big explosions in all of those genres, and currently we're witnessing a big explosion in classical music."

"It will serve as a beacon for other American Indian classical musicians throughout the country. It will serve as a shout out for mainstream American and gain wonderful positive attention for this new emergence of classical musicians in Indian Country."

Mr. Tate will present morning lectures providing background on performers and composers participating in the festival. Open to the general public at no charge, these informal lectures will enable participants to become much more familiar with these icons of modern classical music.

Master classes designed to critique and encourage select student participants in a performance setting will take place in the McSwain Theatre each afternoon. Students selected for the classes will learn from renowned professionals and recording artists such as classical guitarist Gabriel Ayala and musicians of the ETHEL string quartet. These sessions are also open to the public at no charge.

Ticketed performances will provide the opportunity to ex-

perience top-quality modern classical music in a unique venue.

Modern string quartet ETHEL will perform in concert Friday evening, June 3. That performance will include two works from OSHTALI, the first album release in history with only works by American Indian student composers.

Classical guitarist Gabriela Ayala will provide a concert on Saturday evening, June 4.

The Sunday concert features compositions from American Indian classical composers from around the country.

"For our inaugural concert we are doing a memorial concert for the grandfather of American Indian classical composition, Louis Ballard," said Tate.

"Voices of Change," an internationally acclaimed chamber

music ensemble, will perform a memorial concert for Dr. Louis Ballard.

Mr. Tate refers to Ballard as the "grandfather of American Indian classical music."

Dr. Ballard, an Oklahoman of Quapaw-Cherokee descent, was a well-known composer, music educator and award-winning music journalist. The composer of "Incident at Wounded Knee," "Four Moons" and other important works, Dr. Ballard was honored with the First Americans in the Arts Lifetime Achievement Award in 1997. In 2004, he was the first classical composer to be inducted into the Oklahoma Music Hall of Fame.

For more information, visit www.chickasaw.net/ccmf

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Tribal artist Brent Greenwood sets mood for inaugural Chamber Music Festival

Each year the Chickasaw Chamber Music Festival committee will commission one Chickasaw artist to create artwork to commemorate the event.

"Taloowa Ikbi," a painting by award-winning tribal artist Brent Greenwood, will be the official artwork for the inaugural festival. "Taloowa Ikbi" is the Chickasaw phrase meaning "to make song."

When the painting was unveiled recently at the New Identities in Chickasaw Art exhibit in Oklahoma City, the artist

explained that the piece "represents the spirit that the first Chickasaw Chamber Musical Element will evoke."

Elements of the painting, done in warm, vibrant colors, fuse Southeastern Indian motifs with attributes of musical notes and instruments such as the violin and the piano.

For more information, call the division of arts and humanities at (580) 272-5520 or email artistinfo@chickasaw.net.

CONTRIBUTED BY Carrie Buckley, tribal media relations.

Musicians may apply now to participate in June Chamber Music Festival

Applications are now being accepted to fill a limited number of spots for participants in the inaugural Chickasaw Chamber Music Festival. The selected group of musicians will play a part in establishing North America's first permanent venue for Native classical music and have the chance to be mentored by world-renowned artists in the field.

Deadline to apply is Wednesday, March 2.

Set for June 3-5, 2011, the Chickasaw Chamber Music Festival intends to bring American Indian classical music to the forefront of Native fine arts by hosting performances and encouraging young Native American musicians.

Festival master classes will give young musicians and composers the unique opportunity to learn from widely-known professionals and recording artists including Chickasaw classical composer and conductor Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate, NAMMY award-winning Yaqui guitarist Gabriel Ayala and Julliard-trained string quartet ETHEL.

Master classes will serve to critique and encourage student participants in a performance setting and are available for both high school and college students and semi-professionals in string quartets or who study classical guitar.

Nightly performances, open to the public, are also part of the festival. Concerts will feature music ranging from modern American composers to opera, from classical guitar to string ensemble and soloist.

In addition to performances by Tate, Ayala and ETHEL, Cherokee mezzo-soprano Bar-

bara McAlister will join the southwest's leading chamber music ensemble, Voices of Change to perform music composed by America's first Indian composer, the late Dr. Louis W. Ballard of Quapaw-Cherokee descent.

Application forms can be found at www.chickasaw.net. For more information, call the tribal Division of Arts and Humanities at (580) 272-5520 or email artistinfo@chickasaw.net.

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Enjoy the Chickasaw Cultural Center? Please let us know!

Share your Chickasaw Cultural Center experience with us! The Chickasaw Nation Division of History and Culture would like to hear how the Chickasaw Cultural Center has affected your creative side.

If you have been more artistic since your visit to the Chickasaw Cultural Center, please submit your story to *The*

Journal of Chickasaw History and Culture. Your submission could be chosen as a story in a future issue of *The Journal*.

Submissions can be emailed in Microsoft Word format to chs@chickasaw.net with "submission" written in the subject line.

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'The Chickasaw I Admire Most'

Writing contest open to sixth-graders through young adult

"The Chickasaw I Admire Most" is the theme for the 2011 Chickasaw Nation Anoli Creative Writing Contest. Chickasaw student writers in grades six through 12 and young adults through age 24 have a unique opportunity to both explore their culture and history while competing for cash prizes and awards. The Anoli - the Chickasaw word meaning "to tell" - Creative Writing Contest was established in 2007 by the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities. "The process of putting our thoughts and feelings into words connects us more deeply to ourselves, to each other and to the world around us, said Laura Clark, Humanities and Literary Arts Coordinator for the division. "We established writing contests to encourage that con-

nection by providing opportunities for creative writing for youth and young adults." Deadline for entries is Friday, February 25. Writers may submit from one to a total of three entries in the categories of poetry (64 lines or less), short story (1,000 to 2,000 words) narrative or essay (1,000 words or less). Cash awards for each category are as follows: **Division 1 – grades 6-8:** First place: \$100; Second place: \$75; Third place: \$60. **Division 2 – grades 9-12:** First place: \$200; Second place: \$125; Third place: \$100. Division 3 – young adult through age 24: First place: \$300; Second place: \$200; Third place: \$150. Peterson named initial recipient of Chickasaw Nation Endowed Professorship A panel of judges will evaluate original works based on age

division, category of work, how well the creative writing relates to the topic, artistic form and literary expression. Winners will receive their prizes and medals Saturday, March 26 at the Youth Arts Month Celebration in Ada. Forms for the Anoli writing contest are available at www.chickasaw.net. Completed entry forms, a copy of CDIB or tribal citizenship and original entries can be mailed to the Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities, P.O. Box 1548, Ada, OK 74821. Entries may also be hand-delivered to the division offices at 208 East Main Street in Ada. For more information, call Laura Clark or Lorie Robins at (580) 272-5520 or email laura.clark@chickasaw.net or lorie.robins@chickasaw.net. **CONTRIBUTED BY** Carrie Buckley, tribal media relations.

"I Will Be Chickasaw"

By Taylor Marlow

First Place Winner, Poetry / Division 3
2010 Chickasaw Nation Annual Creative Writing Contest

I ache to
realize;
to open my almond eyes at the breaking of sun over treetops and
know
what it felt like to dip my toes, legs, arms, whole self
in the water of the Mississippi.

But I cannot.

My heart is
lost
among the electric scream of technology and egocentrism;
deaf
to the soft song of a language
dying among the tall grass prairie.

I am stranded.

I can only
reach
into the dust from bare feet and wagon wheels, and
dream
within the arched print of English letters on yellowed parchment
for the names, the stories, and my heritage.

It is a challenge.

I am
convicted
to comprehend what has been lost,
driven
to give back to my people ,
and to make my grandmother proud.

I will be Chickasaw.

Funds from tribal operations backing increased programs

FINANCIAL REPORT

The tribal government caption includes the tribe's general fund and the tribe's BIA trust funds. The Chickasaw Businesses include all of the businesses and operations of the Chickasaw Enterprises. Not included in the financial statements are federally or state funded programs and/or grants and the financial statements of Bank 2 and Chickasaw Industries, Inc. The growing needs of the businesses are taken into account when determining the transfers from the businesses to the general fund. It is vital to the long range mission of the Chickasaw Nation that the businesses continue to grow and diversify. Revenues of the tribal operation, other than the transfer from businesses, include motor fuel settlement funds and investment income. Chickasaw Businesses revenues include gaming revenues net of prizes, sales revenue at convenience, travel plazas and tobacco stores, rent and investment income. Tribal expenditures are classified by function. General government includes the maintenance and operations of tribal property, *Chickasaw Times* and Governor's and Lt. Governor's offices. Expenditure for education includes education scholarship as well as the tribe's division of education. Health

expenditures include senior citizens sites, eye glasses, hearing aids, prescription drugs, wellness center, community health clinics, catastrophic medical assistance and other similar programs not covered by federal programs or grants. The businesses' expenditures are classified as to expenses associated with gaming operation of the tribe and the other businesses of the tribe. **Executive Summary of the Financial Statements of the period ending December 31, 2010** **Tribal Government** Revenues and transfers from the businesses for operations and fixed assets totaled \$16.8 million for the month and \$40.7 million year-to-date. Expenditures were \$9.4 million for the month and \$23.6 million year-to-date. **Chickasaw Businesses** Revenue net of gaming prizes for December totaled \$80.9 million and \$234.3 million year-to-date. Net income before the transfers to the Tribal Government was \$57.0 million year-to-date. After transfers to the Tribal Government for capital projects and tribal program operations the net income was \$17.9 million year-to-date. The net income includes all revenue, including amounts reserved for business growth and expansion. **Statement of Net Assets**

At December 31, 2010, the tribal government funds had \$126.3 million in cash and investments. Of this amount, \$18.3 million is in the BIA Trust funds. This total does not include any federal program funds. The businesses had \$176 million in cash and investments which is re-

served for accounts payable and business operations. As of December 31, 2010, tribal operations, excluding federal program funding, had net assets of \$1,136 billion compared to \$1,125 billion at November 30, 2010 or an increase of \$11 million.

Chickasaw Nation
Tribal Operations
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
For the Three Months Ended December 31, 2010

	Tribal Government	Chickasaw Businesses	Total
Revenues			
Transfers from businesses to tribal government	\$ 1,574,678	234,378,199	235,952,877
Total funds available	39,190,905	(39,190,905)	(0)
	40,765,583	195,187,294	235,952,877
Expenditures			
General government	3,114,549		3,114,549
Legislature	470,207		470,207
Judiciary	275,160		275,160
Education	2,564,930		2,564,930
Heritage Preservation	3,216,387		3,216,387
Health	4,453,306		4,453,306
Youth and Family Services	3,038,099		3,038,099
Nutrition Programs	1,368,762		1,368,762
Regulatory	2,306,803		2,306,803
Assistance Programs	2,848,347		2,848,347
Gaming expense		127,878,220	127,878,220
Other businesses' expense		49,400,284	49,400,284
Total expenditures	23,656,551	177,278,504	200,935,054
Increase in net assets	17,109,032	17,908,790	35,017,822
Beginning net assets	520,143,070	580,945,883	1,101,088,953
Ending net assets	\$ 537,252,103	598,854,672	1,136,106,775

Chickasaw Nation
Tribal Operations
Statement of Net Assets
December 31, 2010

	Tribal Government	Chickasaw Businesses	Total
Cash and Investments	\$ 126,304,634	176,028,300	302,332,934
Receivables	40,891,615	52,354,668	93,246,283
Inventory		5,654,563	5,654,563
Prepaid expenses		15,565,334	15,565,334
Other Assets		27,796,564	27,796,564
Fixed assets	371,394,532	493,253,653	864,648,185
Less payables	(1,338,678)	(171,798,410)	(173,137,088)
Net Assets	\$ 537,252,103	598,854,672	1,136,106,775

Perkins sworn in as new legislator; Rowe assumes judicial post



Chickasaw Nation Supreme Court Chief Justice Cheri Bellefeuille-Gordon, right, administers the oath of office to newly-elected tribal legislature Toby Perkins, of Ada, as his wife, Alesha, looks on. Mr. Perkins was elected to Pontotoc District, Seat 1 of the Chickasaw Legislature in a runoff election last month.

ADA, Okla. - A Chickasaw Nation legislator and a tribal District Court justice were sworn into office in separate ceremonies Monday, Jan. 10 at

Chickasaw Nation Headquarters complex.

Toby Perkins, of Ada, took the oath of office as Pontotoc District, Seat 1 representative



Chickasaw Nation Supreme Court Chief Justice Cheri Bellefeuille-Gordon, right, administers the oath of office to newly-appointed Chickasaw Nation District Court Judge Dustin P. Rowe, of Tishomingo, as his wife, Nicole, looks on. Mr. Rowe took the oath of office Monday at the tribal Judicial Building in Ada.

to the Chickasaw Tribal Legislature. Mr. Perkins was sworn in at the tribal headquarters building.

Dustin P. Rowe, of Tishomin-

go, was sworn in as Chickasaw Nation District Court Judge at the Chickasaw Nation Judicial Building.

Chickasaw Nation Supreme

Court Chief Justice Cheri Bellefeuille-Gordon administered the oath in both ceremonies.

Mr. Perkins won a January runoff election to fill the unexpired term of Holly Easterling. Mrs. Easterling resigned her seat in October to accept an administrative position within the Chickasaw Nation.

Mr. Rowe is a new appointment as Chickasaw Nation District Judge. He has served as tribal special judge since 2005. He replaces District Judge Aaron Duck, who had served in the position since 2003. Mr. Duck recently was named Associate District Judge of 20th District in Oklahoma.

The Chickasaw Nation Legislature is composed of 13 members, elected from the Chickasaw Nation's four legislative districts: Panola, Pickens, Pontotoc and Tishomingo.

The Chickasaw Nation Judicial Department is comprised of a Supreme Court, a District Court and a Peacemaking Court.

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Female Chickasaw artists ages 14-18

Entries sought for 'Dynamic Women' butterfly art

The Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities announces a "Call for Artists" to create butterfly logo artwork for the 2011 Dynamic Women of the Chickasaw Na-

rounding the event. This year's selected artist will receive a \$200 cash award.

Artists must be female, ages 14 through 18, and must be able to provide proof of Chickasaw citizenship. One piece of artwork, in a medium of the artist's choice, may be submitted and must be created on art paper, canvas or art board between eight inches and 20 inches in width or height.

Deadline to receive all submissions is

Tuesday, March 1. Artwork may be delivered to the Division of Arts and Humanities office, 208 East Main Street in Ada.

The winning piece will be utilized in a variety of materials for the conference and

forum, but the selected logo artist will retain all copyrights to her artwork.

"Chukmasi," a painting by Chickasaw student Taloa Underwood, of Davis, was chosen last year and was utilized for brochures, flyers, programs, a commemorative mug and a variety of print materials.

The Chickasaw Nation Division of Arts and Humanities hosts the Dynamic Women of the Chickasaw Nation forum and conference in partnership with East Central University to recognize the strength and leadership of Chickasaw women from all walks of life. The event, conducted on the East Central University campus in Ada, features special speakers, panels, art show, luncheon and entertainment, the conference and forum.

For more information, contact Laura Clark or Lorie Robins at (580) 272-5520, or email artistinfo@chickasaw.net.

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Enroll now for 'Painting with Paper' Feb. 19 in Ardmore

February 11 is the deadline to enroll in the Chickasaw Nation Arts in Education Department's "A Saturday Arts Program" event set for Saturday, Feb. 19 at the Ardmore Nutrition Building.

"Painting with Paper," is the theme for the program. Students grades three through six will create original pieces of art using tissue paper in order to

Fed funds available for conservation, wetlands preservation, wildlife

ADA, Okla. - Three important federal programs are available to local agricultural producers and wildlife enthusiasts in Pontotoc County, Okla. Chickasaw Nation headquarters city of Ada is located in Pontotoc County.

The programs are the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP); the Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP); and the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP).

EQIP provides funding to

"paint." Color, proportion, foreground, background and focal point will be discussed.

Class size is limited to 20 students. To request an enrollment form or for more information, please contact Cara Criswell at (580) 272-5520 or email cara.criswell@chickasaw.net.

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promote conservation practices plus management incentives.

WRP offers funds to assist landowners with wetlands restoration and protection.

WHIP assists private landowners with funds to develop or improve wildlife habitat on private lands.

For more information on these programs, contact District Conservationist Clay Horton at (580) 332-7979, ext. 3, or stop by the office at 1328 Craduck Road in Ada.



tion Conference and Forum to be conducted in April.

Symbolic of the beauty, purity and determination of Chickasaw women throughout history, a butterfly logo has served each year for all artwork and materials sur-

Historic sites of the Chickasaw Nation mapped

A project is currently under way to document and map the many sites within the current boundaries of the Chickasaw Nation which hold significant places in tribal history.

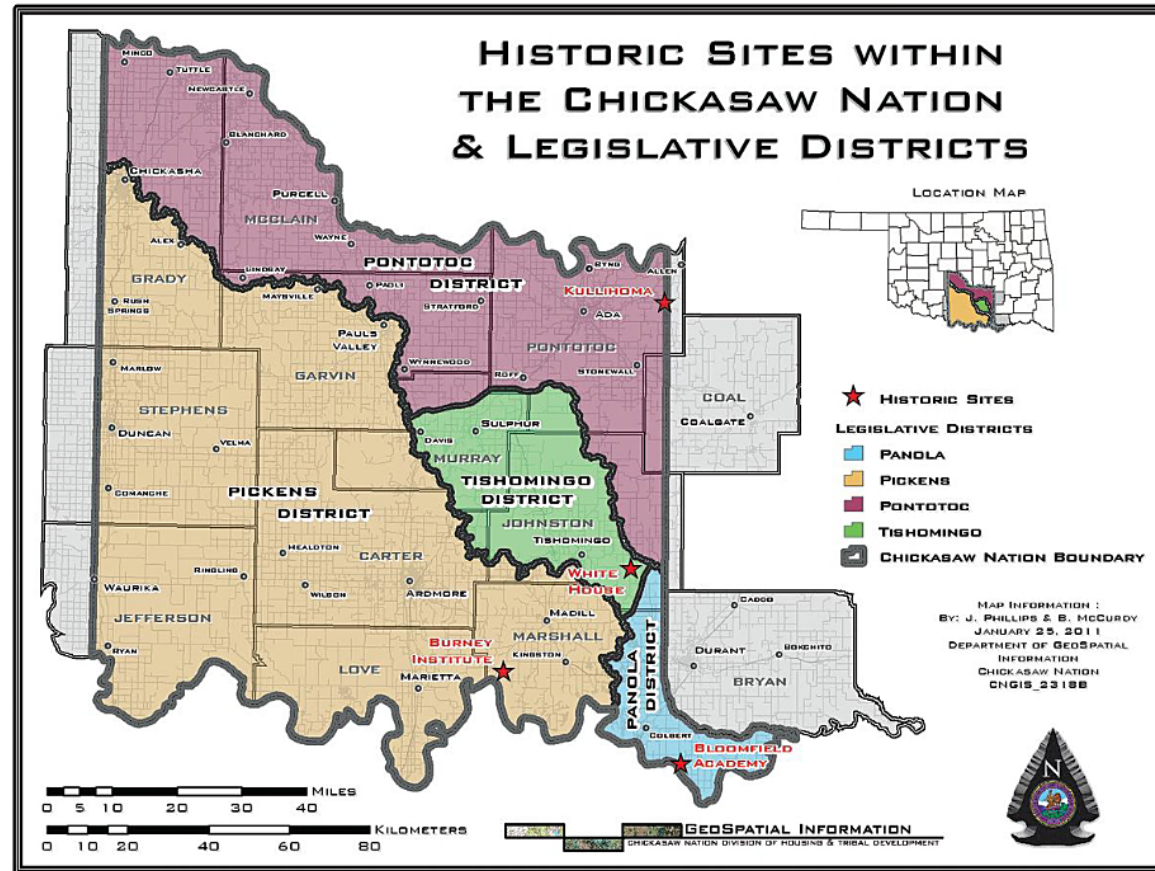
One such site, a home near Colbert, Oklahoma, is said to be the oldest occupied house in Oklahoma.

Known to some as the Alberson/Collins house, the home on the road to Colbert Ferry was built by Chickasaw chief Isaac Alberson in 1844 for his wife Sallie.

The house later became home to Dan and Sally Collins, who lived in the house for several decades with many of their children and several other relatives who played a significant role in Chickasaw and Oklahoma history.

Sons of the couple, Dan Collins Jr., and Ben Collins, were both members of the Chickasaw Legislature in 1895.

Rhoda Gunn also lived in the house in the latter part of the 1800s. Rhoda, who is described in the *Chronicles of Oklahoma* as "a celebrated beauty," was at one time married to Sam Col-



bert, son of James Colbert. She later married Joseph Potts.

Reports indicate members of the Potts and Collins family and other Chickasaws lived

in the home until at least 1916. In that year, *the Daily Oklahoman* hosted a 50th wedding anniversary for Dan and Sally Collins.

Described as "something of a showplace," the log home featured walnut from the local woods and a winding staircase with hand-polished hand-rails.

Slaves owned by the family reportedly gathered stone and logs for two years to build the original structure.

While the home has been remodeled several times, some of the original logs have been purposely left visible.

This home is one of many important historical sites. Others include the Chickasaw White House, the Historic Chickasaw Capitol, Kullihoma, Pikey's Crossing, Seeley Chapel, Boiling Springs Church, the Chickasaw/Choctaw stick-ball fields and Burney Institute, to name a few.

If you have information about a historic site or structure which should be included in this project, please contact Rena Duncan, at sally926@cherokeeetel.com, or by mail at the address below.

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Achille, OK 74720

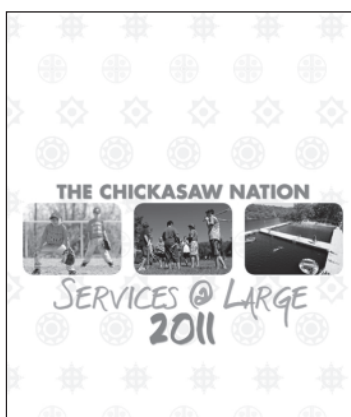
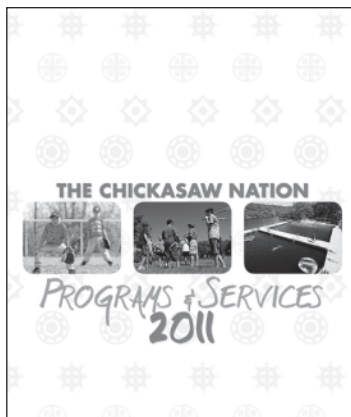
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BIRTHS



Logan Edward Hard

Logan Edward Hard was born Sept. 28, 2010 to Josh and Kate Hard, of Norman, Okla. He weighed 6 lbs., 15 oz., and measured 19 1/4 inches at birth.

Proud grandparents are Mike and Martha Larsen, Phyllis Larsen and Mark and Beth Hard.



Kyson Dale Lampkin

Kyson Dale Lampkin was born Nov. 30, 2010 at Mercy Hospital, Ardmore, Okla. He weighed 8 lbs., 4 oz., and measured 21 inches at birth.

He is the son of Kerry Lampkin and Heather Taylor. His sibling is Kadence Taylor, 3.

Proud grandparents are Hubert and Shelly Lampkin, Pauline and Danny Underwood, all of Ardmore, Okla.

He is the great-grandson of Hubert and Lee Lampkin, Corine Ross, Bertha and Clinton Taylor, Patricia and Aaron Underwood.

Proud aunt is Kimberly Staton. Proud uncles are David Taylor, Tanner Underwood and David Staton.



Xander Jaxon Gabriel Underwood

Xander Jaxon Gabriel Underwood was born at 4:29 p.m., Nov. 29, 2010 at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital, Allen, Texas. He weighed 4 lbs., 3 1/2 ozs., and measured 16 inches at birth.

Proud parents are Brent and Heather Underwood, of Allen. He has two brothers, Brenton, 9, and Blake, 8, of Allen.

Maternal grandparents are Gail Reamy, of Allen, and the late Pat Reamy.

Paternal grandparents are Serena Underwood, of McAlester, Okla., and the late Melvin Underwood.

Maternal great-grandparents are Carrol and Cleo Golden, of Krebs, Okla. Paternal great-grandparents are the late Era Mae Carney, of Ardmore, Okla., and the late Thomas and Rena Brokeshoulder, of Ardmore.

BIRTHDAYS



Akeelah and Aries Logan

Akeelah Logan will celebrate her second birthday Feb. 11, 2011 with her new baby brother, Aries, 2 months old, and her family and friends.

She is the daughter of Cynthia Murphy and Tyrone Logan.

She is the granddaughter of Lisa and Ricky Murphy and Sheila and Lawrence Red.



Daisy Blackbird

Mrs. Blackbird honored on 108th birthday

Daisy Blackbird, of Oklahoma City, turned 108 years old Jan. 18, 2011.

On your birthday may you be blessed with all these things:

A rainbow on the horizon
An angel by your side
Dreams that come true
A smile to your life.

Daisy was born in 1903, before Oklahoma became a state. She remembers the good and bad days living on a farm in Tupelo, Okla.

She is next to the oldest of 10 siblings. All have passed away except her youngest sister, Wanda Montgomery, who is now living with her.

Mrs. Blackbird has always had a positive outlook toward her family, friends and associates and is looking forward to having a birthday cake with them.

She says it is an honor to be a part of the Chickasaw Nation, with many accomplishments that have occurred during her lifetime.

Complete the Customer Service Survey and win!

Chickasaw citizens who complete a tribal customer service survey can win \$100.

Chickasaws can access the Customer Service Survey through the tribal website at www.chickasaw.net. The survey seeks input from citizens regarding tribal programs, services and customer service.

After completing the survey, enter the giveaway. The \$100 will be given away each quarter. Winners will be announced in the *Chickasaw Times*.

BIRTHDAYS



Fulsom Charles Scrivner

Tribal author celebrates 100th birthday

Fulsom Charles Scrivner, a Chickasaw citizen from Nampa, Idaho, celebrated his 100th birthday July 18, 2010.

More than 60 people attended his birthday celebration, which featured a birthday cake with 100 candles.

Known as an author, scholar and historian, Mr. Scrivner was born in the Tishomingo District of the Chickasaw Nation in 1910.

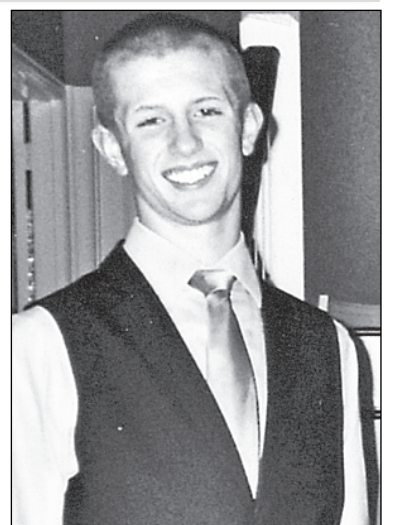
Mr. Scrivner has written at least two books "The Beautiful Paiute Girl" and "Mohave People." He contributed to the book "The Early Chickasaw: Profile of Courage." Mr. Scrivner and his wife, Fern, were married September 1, 1939.

He is a devout Christian and served as a missionary to American Indians for more than 50 years.

Help us update our military list!

The Chickasaw Nation is updating the military database for those on active duty and stationed away from home.

If you know of a Chickasaw in the service whom you would like to add to the list or update their address, please contact Joy Barrick in the Public Affairs Department at (580) 310-6451 or email joy.barrick@chickasaw.net.



Price Atteberry



Jack Atteberry

Price Atteberry celebrated his 16th birthday Jan. 23, 2011. Price is a freshman at Kingwood High School and plays the position of forward on the junior varsity team. He has a great love for the game.

Jack Atteberry celebrated his ninth birthday on Jan. 24, 2011. He is in the third grade at Willow Creek Elementary.

He is a good swimmer, plays football and this is his first year to play basketball.

These two young men are our future and we wish them a very happy birthday!

They are the great-grandsons of Lillian Louise Haddock, daughter of original enrollee Winnie Blocker.

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BIRTHDAYS



Kassey LeWayne Scruggs

Kassey LeWayne Scruggs celebrated her 14th birthday Feb. 7, 2011.

She is an eighth-grade student at Cache (OK) Middle School. She is active in several different organizations and clubs. She is currently on the honor roll, an active member of TAG (Talented and Gifted), PAWS, Indian Heritage and Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA).

She is a member of the eighth-grade volleyball team, manager of the football team, and runs track.

She is very active in her church, Restoration Church of God, Cache, where she loves to sing and help with the nursing home ministry. She enjoys texting, twittering, attending church, attending ballgames, going to the mall, hanging out

with her friends, talking on the phone, Facebook, and playing with her dogs, Z-Lee and Justin Beiber.

She is the pride and joy of Brandy L. Myers-Black and Luis (Lou) Juarez.

She is the granddaughter of Pastor Jim and Phyllis Myers. She is the sister to Derek and Kinsey.



Kinsey Lee Black

Kinsey Lee Black turned nine years old Jan. 17, 2011. She is a third grade student at Cache (OK) Intermediate School and is very active in sports, playing basketball, softball and volleyball for the Pink Panthers. Her softball team finished the season with an undefeated record.

Kinsey is very involved with her church, Restoration Church of God, where she sings, plays drums and helps with the

nursing home ministry.

She has received the "Dazzling Dog" award four times this year, in the *Country Times* newspaper four times, received a t-shirt and will be having pizza with the principal as a reward. She is a straight A student and works very hard at everything she does. She is the pride and joy of Brandy L. Myers-Black and Luis (Lou) Juarez.

She is the granddaughter of Pastor Jim and Phyllis Myers and the niece of Jamey (Bean) and Chad Myers.

She is the baby sister to Derek and Kassey.

She enjoys watching movies with her family, attending church and playing with her puppy, Z-Lee.



Derek Christopher

Derek Christopher Scruggs will turn 17 March 20, 2011. He is a junior at Cache (OK) High

School.

Derek was selected to the engineering program at Great Plains Technology Center, Lawton, Okla., and is very active in the engineering department and other clubs.

He works after school at Cache School with the "CASTLE" program. He assists students with homework and activities on a weekly basis.

He is very involved with his church, Restoration Church of God, in Cache, and helps load and haul musical equipment on Sundays for the nursing home ministry.

He has played basketball and football and has won an art award.

He currently enjoys playing video games, texting, going to the movies with friends, going out to eat, playing with his puppy Z-Lee, and attending OU football games. He plans on becoming an engineer and making lots of money.

Derek is the pride and joy of Brandy L. Myers-Black and Luis (Lou) Juarez.

He is the grandson of Pastor Jim and Phyllis Myers. He is the nephew of Jamey (Bean) and Chad Myers. He is the proud big brother to Kassey and Kinsey.



Cameron Reese Carrillo

Cameron Reese Carrillo turned 9 years old January 23.

Ever since the day she was born she has been our princess. Cameron celebrated her birthday at the Painted Potter with her friends, and enjoyed eating pizza and painting their own pottery. Everyone who was in attendance had so much fun.

She was so happy on her special day but she also wanted to let her Mi Ma and Pa Pa know that even though they couldn't make it she misses them very much.

Cameron is the daughter of Lupe and Valerie Carrillo. Her big brothers are Brandon and Dillon Carrillo, all of Houston.

She is the grand-daughter of Lupe and Jan Carrillo of Ardmore, Okla.

We enjoy watching our daughter become a beautiful Chickasaw princess.

Happy 9th Birthday!

Love, Mom and Daddy

Chickasaw United Way leader



From left, former Oklahoma Governor Brad Henry and first lady Kim Henry, and Sherry and Jeff Bryant.

NORMAN, Okla. – A Chickasaw citizen has recently led Norman to its fundraising goal for 2010 United Way.

Sherry Bryant and her husband, Jeff Bryant, were the first husband-and-wife team ever chosen to lead the important drive. The United Way helps fund important agencies that provide essential services to a large segment of the population.

This year's fundraising goal was \$1.9 million. For the first time since 2006, the drive met its goal. The final tally for Norman United Way fund drive was \$1,967,597.

This year's theme was "One More" – one more donor, one more dollar and one more life changed.

The Norman United Way focuses on four principal areas of service – basic needs, successful children and youth, strong and safe individuals and families, and people with disabilities.

"I am grateful that the Chickasaw Nation generously supports United Way's efforts to help those who are in need at all stages of life," Mrs. Bryant said. "Thank you for making a difference!"

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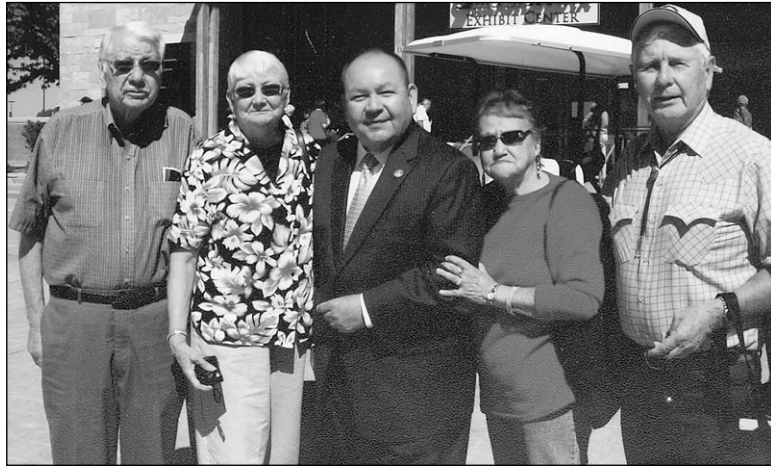
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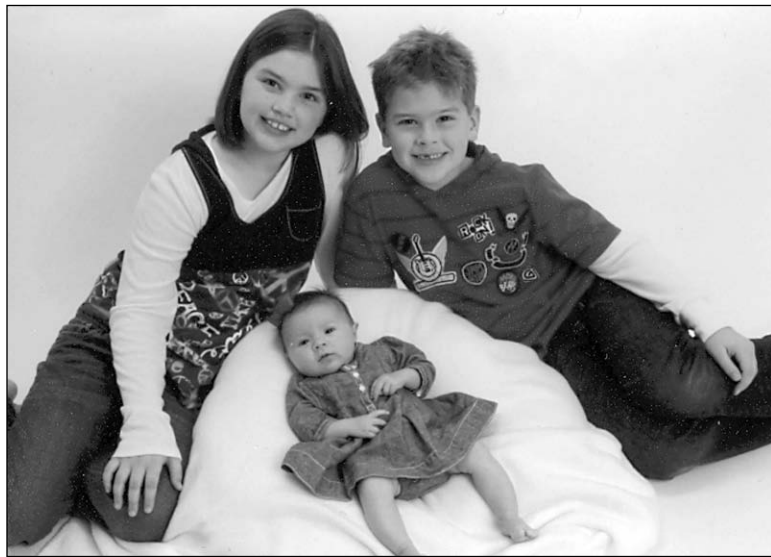
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Chickasaw Cultural Center visit



Members of the Foraker family recently visited with Gov. Bill Anoatubby at the Chickasaw Cultural Center, in Sulphur, Okla. From left are Doug Foraker, of Shawnee, Okla., Olive Foraker-Bickerstaff, of Adrian, Mich., Gov. Bill Anoatubby, Joyce Nelson Foraker and Bob Foraker, of Maysville, Okla.

Chickasaw children



From left, Katelyn Lower, Channing Phillips and Christopher Lower.

These beautiful children can trace their Chickasaw lineage to famous Chickasaws Vinnie May Humes and Overton James. The late Mrs. Humes was Gov. James' mother and collaborated with her husband Rev. Jesse Humes to produce the Chickasaw Dictionary we use today. Gov. James served as Governor of the Chickasaw Nation from 1963 through 1987.

Nine-year-old Katelyn and seven-year-old Christopher are

the children of Dedra Phillips and Phil Lower. Channing, age two months, is the daughter of Dedra and Mark Phillips.

Paternal grandmother is Ranell Harry; maternal great-grandmother is the late Evelyn James; maternal great-grandfather is Governor Emeritus Overton James; maternal great-grandmother is the late Vinnie May Humes; and paternal grandmother of Channing is Betsi Phillips.



Emily Savory

Emily Savory installed as Worthy Advisor

Emily Rhiannon Savory, a Chickasaw freshman at Guthrie (OK) High School, was recently installed as the Worthy Advisor of Guthrie Assembly #22 International Order of the Rainbow for Girls at the installation of officers on Sunday, January 9.

Emily chose a term theme entitled "We Are One." Her symbols were hearts, stars, crosses, and music notes.

She has chosen God's Food Bank as her service project, with an emphasis on the Food For Kids program. The program provides chronically hungry children, identified by school personnel, with backpacks filled with non-perishable, kid-friendly food to eat on weekends and school holidays. The Regional Food Bank supplies and delivers pre-assembled food sacks and backpacks to participating schools at no cost to the school or the child.

Emily is reaching for the goal of assisting in the sponsorship of four students currently en-

rolled in the program. Emily is the daughter of Jeff and Sandra Savory, and the granddaughter of John and June Chambers, all of Guthrie.



Rachel Byars

Chickasaw OBU junior on President's Roll

Chickasaw citizen Rachel Joy Byars, a junior elementary education major, has been named to Oklahoma Baptist University's President's Honor Roll for the fall 2010 semester.

Students who achieved a semester grade point average of 3.7 or higher on a 4.0 scale are named to the President's Honor Roll.

OBU is located in Shawnee, Oklahoma. For 16 consecutive years, the University has been Oklahoma's highest ranked baccalaureate college in the U.S. News & World Report annual ranking of "America's Best Colleges." OBU also is a 2009 "Best in the West" college according to The Princeton Review, and OBU is Oklahoma's highest rated college in the first annual Forbes.com ranking of "America's Best Colleges."

Miss Byars is a member of the OBU Symphonic Band, Philos, Kappa Delta Pi, POE, Phi Eta Sigma, and the Oklahoma Council for Indian Education. She was Junior Marshall for the OBU Centennial Winter Commencement.

She is the daughter of Allen and Joy Byars, of Beggs, Okla. She is the granddaughter of Rex and Bonnie Byars, of Beggs, Oklahoma and Mildred Pitman, of Saint Jo, Texas.



Halle Goodwin

Halle Goodwin tops in Washington spelling bee

Halle Goodwin, an honor student at Washington Elementary School in Ada, Okla., recently won first place in the fourth grade Spelling Bee.

She will go on to compete in the Byng spelling Bee Feb. 3. If she wins there she will go to Oklahoma City to compete against students from across Oklahoma.

Halle is the daughter of Brian and Shelley Goodwin, of Ada.

She is the granddaughter of Chickasaw citizen, C.C. Price, of Lone Grove, Okla., and Bruce and Brenda Hall, of Ada. She is the great-granddaughter of Jim and Betty June Goodwin, Glenn Taylor and Mary Taylor, of Ada.

Her Mom, Dad and grandparents are so very proud of her and love her so much. Good luck Halle Renee'!

Chickasaw West Gathering set for June 4 in California

SANTEE LAKES, Calif. - The Annual Chickasaw Gathering sponsored by Chickasaw West is set for Saturday, June 4 at Santee Lakes.

The gathering will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Picnic Area D. Everyone is welcome and attendees are asked to bring a dish to share. Hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages will be provided and served at noon.

A covered area is available in the event of rain. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. Fishing, paddleboat and canoe rentals are available.

Several members of the Chickasaw legislature normally attend this event.

Santee Lakes is in the San Diego area and is within one hour of a number of area attractions. If you wish to call ahead for fishing, camping and RV information, the Santee Lakes number is (619) 596-3141.

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Kaylea Arnett to compete at Virginia Tech University

Chickasaw prep diver signs college letter of intent



Chickasaw diver Kaylea Arnett and coach Bob Gunter at the September 2010 FINA World Junior Diving Championships.

Kaylea Arnett, a Chickasaw from Spring, Texas, recently signed a letter of intent to dive for Virginia Tech University in the 2011-12 academic year. She currently attends Spring High School where she dives for the Woodlands Diving Academy coached by Olympic Coach Kenny Armstrong and Bob Gunter.

Miss Arnett won the Junior National three-meter diving title this year. It was her ninth Junior National title. At the Senior Nationals, she and partner Laura Wilkinson (2000 Olympic Gold Medalist) were second in the three-meter synchronized event, and she was second with her partner in the 10-meter platform synchronized event

Miss Arnett also represented the U.S. in two international competitions this year, participating in the first ever Youth Olympic Games qualifier (in Mexico) where she finished fourth in the three-meter event. She finished the summer season representing the U.S. in the Junior World Championships where she was also a finalist in three-meter springboard event.

She has also won two gold medals at the Junior Pan American Games, and a national championship in women's division.

Virginia Tech diving coach Ron Piemonte said he was "thrilled" have Miss Arnett on the team.

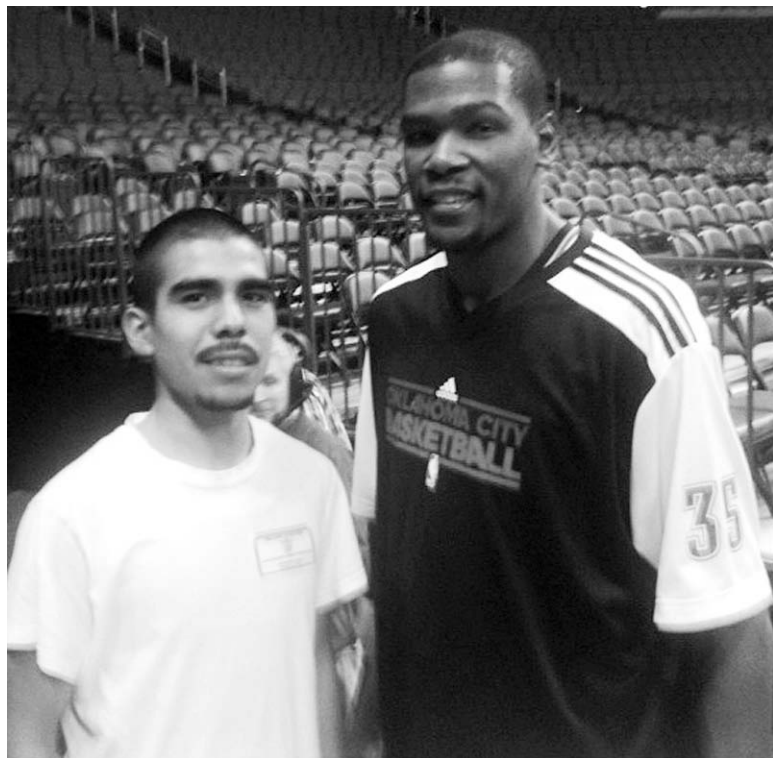
"Kaylea will come in and

impact our program from day one," said Piemonte. "Her background and accomplishments in diving have resulted in major success at the Junior National, Senior National, and International level in all events – one meter, three meter, and platform.

"I have watched Kaylea develop as a diver since she was 11, and I feel that she is perhaps the most overall accomplished female recruit graduating high school this year. I am very anxious to see and be part of what she will accomplish in this next era of her career."

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Leadership students experience Chickasaw Nation Learning Community at OU



Chikasha Apihchi Ikbi member Matthew Smith, of Ada, meets Oklahoma City Thunder basketball star Kevin Durant prior to the Dec. 29 game in Oklahoma City. Matt is a senior guard on the Ada High School varsity basketball team. Attending the game was part of a session which included a visit to the University of Oklahoma and an art museum.

Fifty-five Chikasha Apihchi Ikbi (Leadership Chickasaw) students recently explored the world of art and college during their Dec. 29 expedition.

A trip to the University of Oklahoma was the first stop of the day.

Brent Sykes, program facilitator of the University of Oklahoma Chickasaw Nation Learning Community, introduced the students to the program and

explained the learning center's services to new students.

A component of the Chickasaw Nation Family Resource Center, the mission of the Learning Community is to help students successfully transition from high school or community college to the University of Oklahoma and learn what it means to be Chickasaw.

The program not only serves as a support network for in-

coming Chickasaw students, but also nurtures Chickasaw pride and culture. The result is a core group of students, Mr. Sykes said, who are willing to give back to their tribe.

"The Learning Center is an innovative, student-centered learning experience," he said. "It is a place where students come together and learn about Chickasaw heritage and history."

The next stop was an educational tour of the Oklahoma City Museum of Art, in downtown Oklahoma City.

Following the museum tour, students had the opportunity to meet the National Basketball Association's Oklahoma City Thunder players in a pre-game event, and get a few autographs.

The group was also introduced to the Oklahoma City Arena during the pre-game activities.

Following the whirlwind day, Sulphur senior Patrick Cravatt shared a few thoughts about the Chikasha Apihchi Ikbi Program.

"It has taught not only me, but countless other students essential leadership and life skills," Patrick said. "I've enjoyed and learned something new with each trip. (The program) has provided great opportunities to meet others,

while allowing me to grow as a leader.

"It truly is a great combination of excitement and instruction, and I believe it is an innovative way to cultivate new leaders."

In January, the group learned about dating and domestic violence.

Regina Folger, with the tribal office of Strong Family Development, presented a program on abstinence.

Kathy Daniels and Nan Crow, of the tribal office for the Prevention of Domestic Abuse, presented information about Dating and statistics about do-

mestic violence.

The group participated in activities to further demonstrate the importance of life choices.

The day ended with a martial arts self defense class led by tribal instructor Matt Clark.

"We really enjoyed this part of the session because our kids learned how to take care of themselves in emergency situations," Chikasha Apihchi Ikbi coordinator Josh Bess said. "This session was a huge eye opener for our kids as well as our staff," said CAIP coordinator Josh Bess.

CONTRIBUTED BY Dana Lance, tribal media relations.

About the Chikasha Apihchi Ikbi Program...

Chikasha Apihchi Ikbi Program members meet monthly and cover a wide variety of topics including leadership, small business, college life and ethics and etiquette.

Beginning in September, the group meets one Saturday a month for 12 months. Lunch is provided.

Cultural aspects including Chickasaw language, Chickasaw history and the different creative crafts that Chickasaw people have developed over the years are also studied.

Included on the itinerary are tours of the Oklahoma State

Capitol and visits with state officials and trips to other tribal headquarters.

A final out-of-state tour is planned for the end of the session.

Students will also have a class project which will involve community service and/or a fund raiser.

Applications are accepted year-round.

For more information about the Chikashsha Apihchi Ikbi program, contact Josh Bess, youth leadership coordinator, at (580) 310-6620.

'Making the Grade'

Kids, teachers spurred Chickasaw Mom to complete GED



Clarice Culberson

Perseverance, hard work and determination. These are the characteristics of Chickasaw women.

Clarice Culberson, a 39-year-old mother of seven, had been trying to get her General Educational Development (GED) "on and off for eight years."

What made her ultimately complete the course last year was a desire to be able to help her children.

"It was important for me to learn to help my kids with their

school because they would come to me with their homework and I couldn't do it," Ms. Culberson said.

Her three older children had also dropped out of school, she said, because of her "lack of knowledge."

But the coursework proved to be very difficult for Ms. Culberson, who had a challenging childhood and dropped out of school very early on.

"It was a lot of work for me," she said.

She credits the Chickasaw Nation Office of Supportive Programs for guiding her through the course.

"I didn't know how to subtract, multiply or divide," she said. "They had the patience to teach me. The teachers were very understanding."

She enrolled in the department's Adult Learning Program in 2008 after her oldest

daughter Stephanie Catron earned her GED.

Her daughter's achievement made her "want to work harder."

So in 2010, Ms. Culberson and younger daughter Juhree Catron took the GED tests and passed.

Following the examples of the women in the family, Ms. Culberson's 19-year-old son Jerad Catron is now working on his GED.

Earning her GED has boosted her self confidence, said Ms. Culberson, who works as a worksite supervisor at the Chickasaw Nation Farms in Davis, Okla.

She plans to further her education by taking classes at the Pontotoc Technology Center in Ada.

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About Adult Learning Program:

The Adult Learning Program provides various levels of academic assistance to adults ages 16 and older within the Chickasaw Nation who withdrew from high school before graduating and want to complete their GED. The program also assists students living outside the tribal boundaries through mail, telephone and online media. Beginning January 2011, the program is providing on-site

testing services throughout various locations in Chickasaw Nation. The program and the testing services are free to Chickasaw citizens. Interested individuals can learn more about the program and download required forms at http://www.chickasaw.net/services/index_3360.htm or call Shirley Machin at 1-866-466-1481 or 580-421-7711, Ext. 61034.

About General Educational Development (GED) Testing Program:

General Educational Development (GED) Testing Program provides an opportunity for adults, who did not complete a high school program but continued to learn through a variety of everyday experiences, to have their learning evaluated and recognized. The GED Tests are designed to measure academic skills and knowledge in core content areas learned

during four years of high school and include the following subject area tests: language arts and writing, language arts and reading, social studies, science and mathematics. For more information, please visit www.gedtest.org or call 1-800-62-MYGED (1-800-626-9433).

School to Work students on 'fast track' physical therapy course



Tessa Truett

TISHOMINGO, Okla. - When Tessa Truett and Michael Quinton Roller started the intensive Physical Therapy Assistant program at Murray State College in Tishomingo in June 2010, they were glad that they already had some practical experience.

The tribal School to Work Program students had previously worked at Chickasaw Na-

tion Outpatient Physical Therapy in Ada, where they were able to familiarize themselves with scientific terminologies as well as get hands-on experience.

"Being around that atmosphere helped a lot," Miss Truett said. "A lot of the people in my class haven't had any experience."

Mr. Roller agreed.

The experience gained during their on-the-job training as part of the School to Work Program, he said, was vital in going through the rigorous PTA program.

The fast-track program, which accepts only 20 students out of more than 80 applicants each year, condenses two years worth of course load into 14 months. Students take full-day classes and complete several clinicals to graduate in August. They still must pass



Michael Roller

a licensure examination to be able to practice.

But for both students, the hard work is well worth it.

Miss Truett, a Roff, Okla., resident, is motivated by the fact that she is helping people.

"Patients might come in a

wheel chair and in two weeks they might be walking with a cane," the 23-year-old said. "And it's really neat for me to see that change."

Mr. Roller said he had wanted to get in a PTA program for more than 20 years.

"Because of School to Work program, I was able to go back to school," he said.

Mr. Roller, 41, has a bachelor's degree in recreation from

East Central University. He had previously worked at an oil refinery in Ardmore, Okla.

He said he was excited about finishing up the program and putting his degree to use.

"It's not real fun but it's going to be worth it," the Sulphur resident said of the demanding PTA program.

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About School to Work Program:

The School to Work Program helps eligible traditional and non-traditional Chickasaw students earn their education while maintaining employment through an on-the-job training.

Students attend class and work in internship programs, typically in an area associated

with their field of study. Students are considered employees and receive a paycheck and benefits for their efforts.

For more information, please contact Valerie Nix at (580) 559-0815 in Ada or Don Mose at (580) 222-2839 in Ardmore.

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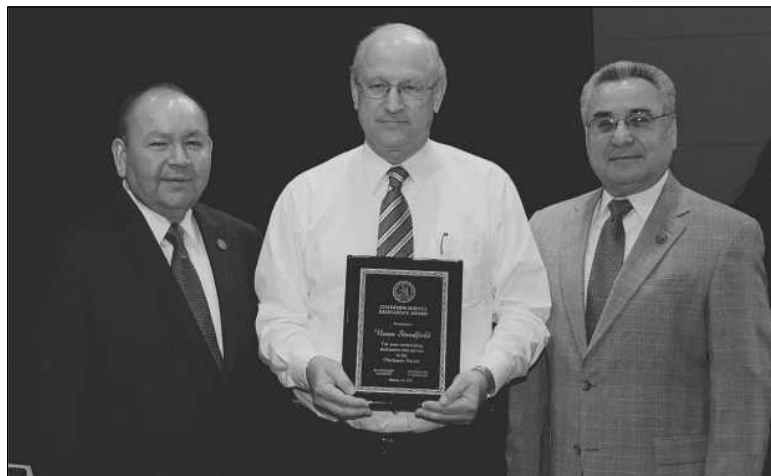
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Norm Standfield receives Customer Service Award; Lisa Daniels Leadership Award



Norm Standfield, Chickasaw Nation Information Technology Department reporting analyst, was honored with the Chickasaw Nation Customer Service 2010 award during last month's tribal employee service awards. Presenting the award are Gov. Bill Anoatubby and Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel.

ADA, Okla. - Two exceptional Chickasaw Nation employees were honored for their hard work and dedication during the annual tribal Employee Service Awards, at the historic McSwain Theatre Friday, Jan. 14.

Norm Standfield and Lisa Daniels, both of Ada, were honored with the Chickasaw Nation Customer Service 2010 Award and the Chickasaw Nation 2010 Leadership Award, respectively.

"These two dynamic individuals strive every day to set the gold standard in customer service and leadership," said Gov. Bill Anoatubby. "Mr. Standfield and Ms. Daniels are shining examples among hundreds of Chickasaw Nation employees who exceed expectations on a daily basis."

Selected for characteristics such as dependability, excellent customer service and enthusiasm, the pair was selected for the top employee service awards from more than 11,500 tribal employees.

Norm Standfield

Norm Standfield, a reporting analyst for the Chickasaw Nation Information Technology Department, is known for cheerfully performing a task no matter what the difficulty. In fact, he is known by his co-workers for going "above and beyond" to provide the best customer service possible, while always being courteous, professional and kind.

The ultimate test came during the recent Chickasaw Nation Medical Center move, when he was assigned the placement of hundreds of com-

puters, phones and printers in the new hospital.

"Norm worked one-on-one with every department at the Medical Center to accomplish this huge task," Mr. Standfield's award nomination letter stated. "No matter how stressful the situation was, Norm always handled it with patience and excellent customer service."

Daily Mr. Standfield serves a wide range of internal and external customers by fulfilling request for a variety of health-care related reports.

"I pull the information and interpret it and sometimes offer solutions to challenges using the information," he answered when asked to describe his job.

The tragic loss of two family members just days apart led him to devote his life to helping others.

"I guess that translates into customer service by the fact that you have to care about people before you can actually serve them," he said.

Enjoying his job and "a job well done" is also fulfilling.

An Ada native, Mr. Standfield has worked with the Chickasaw Nation for about four years.

He said he was "totally surprised" when his name was announced at the award ceremony.

"I had no idea," he said.

He also had no idea - at the time - his wife and other family members were attending the awards ceremony to watch him receive his award.

In addition to working at the Chickasaw Nation, he spends his time pastoring the New



Lisa Daniels, manager of the Chickasaw Nation Career Technology and Training Development program, was honored with the Chickasaw Nation 2010 Leadership Award during last month's tribal employee service awards. Presenting the award are Gov. Bill Anoatubby and Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel.

Hope Baptist Church, Ada, and providing grief counseling. He enjoys spending time with his family and playing with his grandkids.

Lisa Daniels

Lisa Daniels applies the Golden Rule when working with Chickasaw citizens - she treats others the way she would want to be treated.

As manager of the tribal Career Technology and Training Development Program in the Division of Education, Ms. Daniels works with fellow Chickasaw citizens to help them obtain career-related trainings

and certificates.

"I enjoy what I do," she said. "It is very rewarding, especially when Chickasaw citizens can further their career, education and job skills and, as a result, better provide for their family."

Receiving the award was an early birthday gift, she celebrated her birthday three days after the ceremony.

In fact, she took the day off the day of the awards ceremony, but attended it anyway to support others in her department as they received service awards.

When the nomination letter

for the Leadership Award was read, she first thought someone else in her department was the recipient.

"I was completely surprised," she said.

Ms. Daniels earned the award because customer service is her top priority, according to her award nomination letter.

"She continuously reinforces its importance with those she supervises," the letter stated. "She insists that her staff assist clients in the most efficient way possible. Many citizens and training facilities ask for her by name when they have a question regarding education services programs. They enjoy dealing with her because she goes above and beyond the call of duty to bring the citizen or school representative a resolution."

She is also known as one of the first to volunteer when a fellow employee needs help with a project.

Ms. Daniels, a native of Ada, has worked for the Chickasaw Nation for nine years.

She and her husband have two boys, Garry, 10 and Taye, 8. **CONTRIBUTED BY** Dana Lance, tribal media relations.

30-year employees



Gov. Bill Anoatubby and Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel honor 30-year employees Steve Lunsford, Lahoma Clark, Louise Shields. Photos by Marcy Gray and Mike McKee

ADA, Okla. - Dozens of Chickasaw Nation employees were honored for their dedication, quality of service and leadership abilities during the annual Employee Service Awards conducted last month at the McSwain Theatre.

Information Technology analyst Norm Standfield was the recipient of the Customer Service Excellence Award.

Mr. Standfield has a reputation for setting an example among fellow employees by displaying a constant positive

attitude, dependability and going the extra mile to assist where needed.

Lisa Daniels, Career Technology and Training Development Manager for the tribal Division

Debbie Jackson, Linda Robins honored for 35 years with Chickasaw Nation



Gov. Bill Anoatubby and Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel present the 35-year service award to Debbie Jackson, customer relations director for the tribal Division of Health, Jan. 14 at the McSwain Theatre in Ada.



Gov. Bill Anoatubby and Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel present the 35-year service award to Linda Robins, environment services director for the Division of Housing and Tribal Development, Jan. 14 at the McSwain Theatre in Ada.

It has been an “amazing journey” for Debbie Jackson and Linda Robins.

During the 35 years they have worked for the tribe, the two have witnessed “tremendous growth and prosperity.”

The pair was recently honored during the annual Employee Service Award Ceremony Jan. 14 at the McSwain Theatre in Ada, Okla.

“Debbie and Linda are outstanding examples of dedication and loyalty,” said Gov. Bill Anoatubby. “They enrich us as a tribe and help ensure that quality services are being provided to our citizens.”

Both Chickasaw women started to work for the tribe in 1975, when the tribal headquarters was in Sulphur, Okla.

Proud to be a part of the tribal history

“There were only about 25 or 30 employees in 1975,” said Mrs. Jackson, customer relations director for the Division of Health. “And to see where we have come now and what we can do and what we have accomplished is amazing.”

Mrs. Jackson fondly remembers several milestones in Chickasaw Nation history, including the move to the new tribal headquarters in Ada, dedication ceremony of the Carl Albert Indian Health Facility, building of the new Chickasaw Nation Medical Center and many more.

“I feel very blessed and fortunate to have been a small part of all this,” she said.

Mrs. Jackson, who first

worked at the headquarters for several years and then the Division of Housing for 17 years, transferred to the Division of Health when a new customer service position opened at the newly compacted Carl Albert Indian Health Facility in 1995. Under the compact with the Indian Health Service (IHS), the Chickasaw Nation became the first tribe in Oklahoma to operate its own hospital and health clinics.

“I decided to apply for it just to try something new and different,” she said.

More than 15 years later, she still enjoys what she does.

“I love what I do for customer relations,” Mrs. Jackson said. “It allows me an opportunity to listen to people, guide them through our system and teach them how to access our services.”

Mrs. Jackson also said she was proud of the tribe’s partnerships and contributions to the surrounding communities over the years.

In fact, she counts her volunteer work during the aftermath of the April 19, 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City as one of the most memorable moments in her 35-year service.

Mrs. Jackson was one of several tribal employees, who volunteered and were stationed at a building across the street from the bombing site.

“It was an amazing experience to see our organization work alongside other organi-

zations, other people across Oklahoma to come together as one,” she said. “To see our staff ready to give, to donate and willing to go at any moment to serve, I was very proud of our organization.”

Mrs. Jackson proudly represents the tribe as a citizen, employee and a former Chickasaw Princess. She lives in south of Ada with her husband Lee Jackson.

Building “homes” for 35 years

Ms. Robins also feels great pride and appreciation toward the growth of the tribe and the numerous quality services provided to the citizens and surrounding communities.

She credits the “stability and the leadership of the administration” for the success the tribe has enjoyed over the years.

Originally hired as a secretary at the Division of Education, Ms. Robins transferred to the Division of Housing and Tribal Development in 1979.

Ms. Robins considers the tribe “being recognized as a leader in the housing field” and building “homes” instead of houses as the proudest achievements in her 35-year service.

The tribal Division of Housing seeks to create, develop and administer quality housing and provides a number of services including the storm shelter program, private driveway repair and construction program, housing counseling and loan services and many

more. The Center was the recipient of the Best of the Best award in government program category during the organization’s 20th Annual Environmental Excellence Celebration in Oklahoma City.

Ms. Robins has been serving as the president of the Southern Plains Indian Preference board since 1995. The board ensures that the contractors for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) fund receiving state and tribal housing authorities are Indian-owned companies. In 2010, she served as secretary for the Regional Tribal Operations Committee, which partners with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to further tribal environmental objectives.

Ms. Robins was also awarded the tribal Outstanding Employee Award in 1990 and received an honorable mention during the first Dynamic Woman of the Year Award in 2006. The Award honors Chickasaw women, who have made significant contributions to the tribe, served as role models for other Chickasaw women and have made a difference in the lives of Chickasaws and other citizens.

Ms. Robins lives in Ada. She has three children and two grandchildren.

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\$1.55 million available in Oklahoma for organic production assistance

ADA, Okla. – A new federal program has been funded to assist Oklahoma farmers utilizing organic farming methods, and to assist those wishing to transition to organic production.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service announced recently that \$1.55 million had been dedicated to Oklahoma to provide financial assistance.

The assistance will be provided through the Organic Initiative of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Applications are being

accepted on a continuing basis, but those submitted before March 4 will be considered for initial funding.

To learn more about the National Organic Program, visit www.ok.nrcs.usda.gov/farmbill

To learn more about organic certification requirements through the Agricultural Marketing Service, visit www.ams.usda.gov/nop

You may also call District Conservationist Clay Horton at his Ada office, (580) 332-7979, ext. 109, or stop by the office at 1328 Craddock Road, in Ada.

57 players hone skills, learn leadership

Chickasaw girls hit the diamond for Chickasaw Nation Winter Softball Camp



The 2010 Chickasaw Nation Winter Softball Camp athletes and coaches. The two-day clinic was conducted Dec. 29 and 30 on Ardmore, Okla.

ARDMORE, Okla. - Fifty-seven intrepid young Chickasaw ladies dedicated two days of their holiday break perfecting their softball skills during the annual Chickasaw Nation Winter Softball Camp, Dec 29-30 at Ardmore High School's indoor baseball facility.

The intense two-day camp was led by 18 coaches associated with the Day of Champions organization.

Ken Heupel, director of Day of Champions, said the camp focuses on the four principles of leadership: discipline, respect, trust and hard work.

Mark Roozen, strength training coach for International Olympic Coaches in China and director for National Fast-pitch Coaches Association, said the camp teaches skills beyond the



Ashton Christie, Tishomingo, practices strength drills during Softball Camp.

softball diamond.

"A lot of players are not going on to college sports, he said.

"But we teach the success principles they can apply to everyday life - trust, respect, and hard work- those principles can apply whether you are a lawyer, doctor, business owner or athlete.

"We help them understand they can realize their dreams. It doesn't matter where you are from, your dreams are your dreams and if you work hard and surround yourself with good people, you can achieve anything.

"We also show (the players) some things they can take from here and do at home; small little things they don't have to go to the gym to do that can make a difference."

Several drills over the two-day camp taught strength training, endurance and focus.

The young ladies also worked on hitting, fielding and throwing the softball.

Players ranged in age from 10 to 18 and traveled from all over Oklahoma and Texas to attend the camp.

Justice Frazier-Hitchita, a member of the Byng (OK) High School softball team, said she played softball because her mom played it.

"It runs in the family," she said.

Whitney Christie, 18, Tishomingo, Okla., has been playing softball since she was four. She started on the T-ball team.

When asked her favorite part of the game, she answered, "hitting the ball."

Shelby Smith, a 13-year-old from Tishomingo, said she loved to come to Softball Camp because she learned something new each year and it gave her a chance to catch up with her

"camp friends" from across the state.

Her favorite activity at Softball Camp is called the "County Fair" where all players take turns working at different drill stations.

The second day of camp, Sierra Love, of Ardmore, said she was very sore from all the drills, but she didn't mind. She learned a few things, too.

"I didn't know there were so many ways to hit a ball and where you hit it is where it is goes," she said.

Kelsee Trainham, Wichita Falls, Texas, was named a co-MVP of camp. She said the camp "gave me a lot more knowledge of the game I love."

The 11-year-old has played softball for the past six years.

"The team becomes like family," she said.

Eighteen current and former collegiate coaches and players, working with Ken and Josh Heupel's Day of Champions program, assisted with the camp, including former Texas A&M player Erin Workman; former University of Oklahoma player Kacie Clark; current OU player Casie Quintero; Northeastern Oklahoma A&M Junior College head coach Eric Iverson; University of Texas-Corpus Christi player Lauren Dodson and others.

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Tishomingo students, from left, Hope Trimble, Shelby Smith and Whitney Christie enjoy the challenge and team-building of Chickasaw Nation Softball Camp.



Carly Cunningtubby, Oklahoma City, accepts a "best camper" award from Ken Heupel, director of Day of Champions, at Chickasaw Nation Softball Camp, Dec. 29-30 in Ardmore, Okla. Carly was one of two softball players honored for her hard work, dedication and leadership during the camp.

Kids, families enjoy Chepota Himmita Christmas Celebration



From left to right, newborns Sadie Lewis and Emalyn Russell have their picture taken with Santa during the Dec. 21 Chepota Himmita (Healthy Families) Christmas Celebration at the Chickasaw Nation Wellness Center in Ada, Okla.

More than 40 children, including newborns Sadie Lewis and Emalynn Russell, met Santa and his helper during the Dec. 21 Chepota Himmita (Healthy Families) Christmas Celebration at the Chickasaw Nation Wellness Center in Ada, Okla.

The celebration was a fun way for the children and their families to enjoy some holiday time together, according to Program Supervisor Ginger Dunn.

The children received gifts as well as had their pictures taken with Santa. The gifts were donated by the Chika-

sha Apihchi Ikbi (Leadership Chickasaw) Program and Lazer Zone Family Fun Center in Ada.

Chepota Himmita, a parent education program, provides a community-based support group for Native American families. The free program provides opportunities to learn about child health and development, parenting skills and nutrition. Educational home visits are also provided.

The Horton family is one of the 35 families currently enrolled in the program.

"It (the program) promotes families to actually spend time

together," said Bonnie Horton, 26. "A lot of people don't do that anymore."

Mrs. Horton also said she enjoys doing family activities with her three children and learning what they are supposed to be doing at each developmental stage.

For more information about the Chepota Himmita program, please visit www.chickasaw.net or contact the Chickasaw Nation Division of Youth and Family Services at (580) 272-5550.

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Children's Fair is March 19

The 2011 Children's Fair is set for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, March 19 at the Pontotoc County Agri-Plex in Ada, Okla.

The family-oriented, free event celebrating child protection is open to public and everyone is encouraged to attend.

The Fair will feature fashion shows, a petting farm, diaper dash, baby party, door prizes, giveaways and several booths providing health and wellness resources for the entire family.

The event is sponsored by the Chickasaw Nation, in participation with many community organizations and businesses.

Deadline to order the 2011 Children's Fair t-shirts is March 4. Orders, accompanied by payments, should be returned to Elizabeth Brewer, customer relation coordinator at the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center (CNMC). To obtain order forms, contact Ms. Brewer at (580) 436-3980.

For more information about the Fair, contact Deanna Carpitche, behavioral health clinician at CNMC, at (580) 421-4591.

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Chickasaw runners in Tulsa 5k run

Three Chickasaw runners, all members of the Perry family ran the 5-kilometer Tulsa Run on October 30, 2010.

Rebecca Perry who, issued a family challenge. Robert Perry, her father, and Jason Perry, her cousin, accepted. Training runs began, but the objective was a feat done together without over-training.

The unexpected reward was Race Day. The 5-K race preceded the 15-K race and the Chickasaw Running Club was among 10,000 runners waiting for the 15-K to start. The Perry Team got started late on the 5-K race - eight minutes late. No way this would be more than a fun run, but run they did weaving through crowds of "turtle" runners who started eight minutes sooner.

We noticed several runners wearing shirts with Cherokee logos.

The surprise came days later. The race computer figured out what happened and posted the net race times, accounting for the Perry's delayed start time: Rebecca finished 7th place, Robert - 7th place and Jason - 32nd place in their respective age groups. Unexpected results always bring big smiles.

Cherokee Chief Chad Smith had been chosen one of two Celebrity runners for the Tulsa Run. Smith, 59, was elected principal chief of the Cherokee Nation in 1999. For him, serving as a celebrity runner is a way to set an example for his Cherokee people, and spread a message about healthy living. He said, "Our people suf-

fer from diabetes and heart disease. [Chickasaws, get this.] He also said, "The Cherokee Nation may issue a challenge to other tribes to get involved in this year's Tulsa Run."

The Chickasaw were noted runners. James Adair lived among the tribe almost 300 years ago, wrote about a young Chickasaw fleeing pursuit, who ran 300 computed miles in 42 hours.1 The boy averaged a seven-minute mile for every mile. At that rate, he would have finished the 5-K Tulsa Run in 22 minutes, when the well-rested winner finished in 16 minutes.

It's probably not too early to start getting ready to take part in the 2011 Tulsa Run.

Leadership Ada Graduates



Graduates of Leadership Ada 2010 include six Chickasaw Nation employees. Leadership Ada was sponsored by the Ada Chamber of Commerce. Front row from left, Vicky Gold, Office Manager of the Chickasaw Times, Division of Communications, Media and Community Development; Karissa Pickett, Director of Multimedia, Division of Communications, Media and Community Development; Johnna R. Walker, Executive Director of the Chickasaw Foundation; and Mendy Watkins, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Division of Treasury. Back row from left, Kyle Impson, Special Projects Assistant, Office of Strategic Development, Division of Commerce; and Stacy Edgar, Program/Facility Manager, Division of Education.

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November 2010 Outstanding Achievement Award recipients

J.J. Stewart

J.J., daughter of Mike and Jana Stewart, of Roff, Okla., is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Overall J.J. Stewart Student.



J.J. is a junior at Roff High School and was nominated by English teacher Judy Campbell. "J.J. is a very motivated and determined student," said Ms. Campbell.

J.J. serves as Student Council President, Beta Club President, National Honor Society Treasurer and Junior Class President.

J.J. also plays basketball, fast pitch and slow pitch softball and her fast pitch softball team qualified for the state tournament this fall.

J.J.'s hobbies include hanging out with friends and going to church.

"I want to attend Oklahoma State University and major in biology," said J.J. "I want to become a physical therapist."

Tylan Herbert

Tylan, son of Angela and Kenny Herbert, of Ardmore, Okla., is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Athletics.



Tylan is a senior at Ardmore High School and was nominated by Indian education special services coordinator Deana Craighead.

"Tylan has worked hard to achieve high grades and prepare himself for higher education," said Ms. Craighead. "He also competes athletically at the varsity level."

Tylan has taken advanced classes all four years of high school and he is on the varsity basketball team.

Tylan's hobbies include videogames and playing basketball. He also helps with youth basketball camps.

"My future plans are to attend a four year university," said Tylan.

Trey Cohee

Trey, son of Joe and Tracy Cohee, of Ardmore, Okla.,



is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Athletics.

Trey is a senior at Ardmore High School and was nominated by Indian education special services coordinator Deana Craighead.

"Trey excels on the sports field in both basketball and football," said Ms. Craighead. "He has a quiet, kind spirit and is very involved in community service projects."

Trey plays basketball and football and he is on the varsity team for both.

Trey is very active in the community and helps with youth basketball and football camps.

"I want to attend college and participate in athletics," said Trey.

Mackenzie Underwood

Mackenzie, daughter of Tamar Underwood, of Ada, Okla., is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Citizenship.



Mackenzie Underwood

Mackenzie is in the fifth grade at Latta Elementary School and was nominated by fifth grade teacher Bobbie Priest.

"Mackenzie represents Latta," said Ms. Priest. "Her willingness to do what it takes will help develop Mackenzie into an outstanding citizen."

Mackenzie loves spending time with her family and her hobbies include playing softball and basketball.

"I want to attend college and major in criminal justice and law school at the University of Oklahoma," said Mackenzie. "I have many positive role models who have taught me right from wrong and I want to carry the things I have learned as a child into my adult life."

Ryan Stockton

Ryan, son of Christy and Donald Stockton, of Ada, Okla., is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Academic Achievement.



Ryan Stockton

Ryan is a freshman at Latta High School and

was nominated by marketing teacher Stacey Oakley.

"Ryan is dedicated to his class work and always volunteers for extra duty assignments," said Ms. Oakley. "He has participated in service projects such as the United Way and Make-A-Wish Foundation and he enjoys serving others."

Ryan hobbies are hunting and fishing on the weekends and playing basketball and baseball.

"My future plans are to attend Oklahoma State University," said Ryan.

Seth Summers

Seth, son of Heather and Charlie Summers, of Sulphur, Okla., is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Music/Drama.



Seth Summers

Seth is a senior at Sulphur High School and was nominated by vocal instructor Kim Keena.

"Seth consistently exhibits my favorite characteristics, those of loyalty, diligence, honesty, and the desire to achieve excellence," said Ms. Keena. "He is extremely talented and has been a lead in the high school musicals for the past three years."

Seth is in the Sulphur High School select choir where he sings lead tenor and he is the co-drum major in the Spirit of Sulphur High School band.

Seth also plays football, runs track and power lifts.

"My future plans are to attend school to become a music director," said Seth.

Codey Cooper

Codey, son of Misty Gibney, of Ada, Okla., is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Overall Student.



Codey Cooper

Codey is a junior at Latta High School and was nominated by language arts teacher Melinda Isaacs.

"Codey is an excellent student who always puts great effort into all of his classroom assignments," said Ms. Isaacs. "He has a positive attitude and

is willing to go above and beyond what is asked of him at all times."

Codey's greatest achievement is being the best big brother that he can be to his little sister.

Codey's hobbies include playing first-person shooter games and building furniture, decks and porches out of wood.

"My future plans are to join the military and become an Army Ranger," said Codey.

Paris Gillum

Paris, daughter of Brooke and Tildon Gillum, of Ada, Okla., is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Citizenship.



Paris Gillum

Paris is in the sixth grade at Latta Elementary School and was nominated by sixth grade teacher Michelle Ellison.

"Paris is a fine example of what it takes to succeed," said Ms. Ellison. "She takes care of her responsibilities and gets along well with others."

Paris' favorite subject in school is math.

Paris loves to cook with her mom and dad and play basketball.

"My future plans are to graduate from Latta and then attend the University of Oklahoma to become a doctor," said

Paris.

Quannah Lindsey

Quannah, son of Debra Lindsey, of Ada, Okla., is a November 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Citizenship.



Quannah Lindsey

Quannah is a senior at Byng High School and was nominated by Indian education coordinator Stephanie Delfrate.

"Quannah is always willing to help when help is needed and gets along with others," said Ms. Delfrate. "Quannah takes part in activities when possible and is a member of several clubs."

Quannah is Vice President and Cultural Director of Native Voices club and he is a habilitation training specialist. He teaches independent living skills to individuals with mental disabilities.

Quannah is proud to be Chickasaw and he is grateful to the Chickasaw Nation for everything they do for the youth.

"I want to go to college and become a plastic surgeon so I can help burn victims and victims of facial deformities," said Quannah. "I may not be perfect but I strive to be the best I can be and to help others as best I can throughout my life."

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AIGC scholarships, fellowships open to Indian graduate students

The American Indian Graduate Center is offering scholarships and fellowships to qualified American Indian and Alaska native graduate students. Scholarship and fellowship opportunities are available in various programs from medicine to fine arts.

The AIGC mission is to build, promote and honor self-sustaining American Indian and Alaska Native communities through education and leadership. The graduate center is

a national organization headquartered in Albuquerque. It provides educational assistance to American Indian and Alaska native graduate students throughout the country.

Since its founding in 1969, the AIGC has awarded more than 15,000 scholarships totaling more than \$44 million to graduate students in all fields of study. For more applications and more information, visit www.aigc.org.

December 2010 Outstanding Achievement Award recipients

Jaliesia Ivy

Jaliesia, daughter of John and Stephanie Ivy, of Ada, Okla., is a December 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Band.



Jaliesia Ivy

Jaliesia is a senior at Byng High School and was nominated by Indian education coordinator Stephanie DelFrate.

"Jaliesia is very active in

band and has participated in numerous organizations and competitions," said Ms. DelFrate. "Jaliesia is a very intelligent and hard working young lady who sets very high standards for herself."

Jaliesia is a member of the National Honor Society, Oklahoma Indian Honor Society, All District Band and Oklahoma Baptist University Honor Band.

Jaliesia hobbies include drawing, writing stories, reading, listening to music, watching classic musicals and zom-

bie movies.

Kira Fowler

Kira, daughter of Naomi and James Fowler, of Ardmore, Okla., is a December 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Native American Club.



Kira Fowler

Kira is a junior at Ardmore High School and was nominated by Indian education special services coordinator Deana Craighead.

"Kira is very proud of her Native American heritage and culture," said Ms. Craighead. "She presented the Chickasaw culture in the school's Native American exhibitions and enjoys stompdancing and storytelling."

Kira is the vice president of Dream Catchers Native American Club and she takes part in a leadership program.

Kira enjoys stompdancing and she is currently learning to jingle dance. She helps with her school's pow-wow each year and has an appreciation for cultural events.

Kira's hobbies include photography. She loves to take pictures of her family and flow-

ers.

"My future plans are to become a community health representative and a photographer," said Kira.

Madison Shulanberger

Madison, daughter of Eddie and Judy Shulanberger, of Roff, Okla., is a December 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Academic Achievement.



Madison Shulanberger

Madison is in the third grade at Roff Elementary School and was nominated by third grade teacher Tara Burns.

"Madison is a very responsible, hard-working student," said Ms. Burns. "She has a great attitude and is eager to learn."

Madison's favorite thing about school is learning new vocabulary words.

Madison's hobbies include painting, playing basketball and softball.

"I want to go to college and become a painter," said Madison.

Christian Ellis

Christian, son of John and Sherri Ellis, of Ada, Okla., is a December 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Academic Achievement.



Christian Ellis

Christian is a sophomore at Latta High School and was nominated by language arts teacher Holly Wood.

"Christian is a good influence on other students and is always respectful," said Ms. Wood. "He is often one of the few students to go out of his way to greet teachers in the hallway."

Christian plays baseball and basketball.

Christian's hobbies include fishing and hunting fowl.

"After I graduate from high school, I plan to attend college at the University of Oklahoma and become a physical therapist," said Christian.

Micah Gross

Micah, daughter of Mike and Samantha Gross, of Mill Creek, Okla., is a December



Micah Gross

2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Academic Achievement.

Micah is a junior at Roff High School and was nominated by English teacher Judy Campbell.

"Micah is very attentive to detail and always does her best," said Ms. Campbell.

Micah is a member of Student Council, Beta Club, Oklahoma Honor Society, National Honor Society and the committee at her church.

Micah's favorite classes are forensics and English.

Micah's hobbies include cheering, listening to music and hanging out with friends.

"I plan on graduating high school and attending a university where I can major in biology," said Micah.

Mercedes Milligan

Mercedes, daughter of Marcus and Cherie Milligan, of Ada, Okla., is a December 2010 recipient of the Chickasaw Honor Club Outstanding Achievement Award for Art.



Mercedes Milligan

Mercedes is a freshman at Byng High School and was nominated by Indian education coordinator Stephanie DelFrate.

"Mercedes is a very intelligent young lady and is serious about her education," said Ms. DelFrate. "She has great potential and possesses the drive and ambition to succeed."

Mercedes is a straight A student and she is a member of the Chickasaw Honor Club and National Junior High Honor Society.

Mercedes loves art and began drawing at a very early age. She has placed first in the Chickasaw Creative Writing contest for two years and in the Red Earth art competition for her beaded necklace.

Mercedes has taken part in the design and marketing class and the Chickasaw Summer Arts Academy. She is also taking Chickasaw language classes.

"My future plans are to finish high school with honors and attend a great college," said Mercedes. "I am interested in a career pertaining to art, and possibly become an architectural interior designer."

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Forest Service, tribal officials to meet at Riverwind

GOLDSBY, Okla. - The 10th annual "To Bridge a Gap" conference will be April 4 - 7 at the Riverwind Hotel in Goldsby.

The four-day conference is designed to strengthen government-to-government relationships between the United States Department of Agriculture-Forest Service and federally recognized tribal governments. The Chickasaw Nation, in collaboration with the National Forest Service Ozark-St. Francis and Ouachita National Forests, is hosting the conference.

The conference will include presentations and question-and-answer sessions includ-

ing "Building a Cooperative Bridge," "We are Distinctly Unique People and Culture," "Building Awareness through Education" and many more.

The event will also include a banquet with keynote speaker Janie Hipp, Senior Advisor for Tribal Affairs to the Secretary of Agriculture Director Office of Tribal Relations, USDA.

This year's conference is also supported by the Georgia Department of Transportation.

For more information or to register, please visit <http://www.chickasaw.net/tbagx/>.

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About To Bridge A Gap (TBAG)

To Bridge A Gap (TBAG) is a joint partnership between the National Forest Service and federally-recognized tribal governments, with an aim to protect and manage important cultural and natural resources. Each year, federal, state and tribal officials get together to learn, share and discuss tribal relations, preservation issues, managing archaeological, natural or cultural resources, use of forest products, restoration of ecosystems, fire management, sacred sites, and many more. The 2011 conference is adding the participation of several state historic preservation officers, who play an important role in the preservation process.

TBAG began as a local meeting in 2001 with National Forests in Oklahoma and Arkansas (Ouachita and Ozark-St. Francis National Forests) and the tribes. The meeting expanded to a conference in 2002

and was hosted by the Choctaw Nation in Durant, Okla.

The Caddo Nation, Choctaw Nation, Absentee-Shawnee Tribe, Muscogee Creek, Chickasaw Nation, and the Forest Service have co-hosted the 2003-2010 conferences.

More than 300 representatives from tribes in Oklahoma, California, South Dakota, Arizona, Idaho, Louisiana, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico and Texas, as well as National Forests across the nation, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Oklahoma Archaeological Survey, Oklahoma Historical Preservation Office, Ozark-St. Francis National Forests, Ouachita National Forest, and many more, attended the 2010 Conference in Tulsa, Okla.

The conference provides a forum for the tribes to meet directly with policy planners and project managers as well as serves as a gateway for more specific consultations about

land and resource management practices.

Planning for the next year's conference begins at the close of the current session, with tribal and Forest Service representatives working closely throughout the year. Conference topics and agenda are jointly decided by tribes and Forest Service.

Over the years, many federal, state, and local agencies as well as academic institutions and private firms have participated in the conference. Tribes have found this conference to be a central forum to meet directly with agencies that manage lands and care for those cultural and natural resources where their forebearers lived. This relationship provides important ways for the tribes, federal, state and private entities to work together to protect the past for future generations.

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CHICKASAW COMMUNITY COUNCILS and EVENTS

For a complete listing of Chickasaw Nation camps, academies and other events visit www.chickasaw.net

OKLAHOMA ADA

CONNERVILLE
Connerville Chickasaw Community Council
Bi-Monthly, 3rd Monday at 6:30 p.m.
Tony Poe, 580-421-4994

KINGSTON
Chickasaws of Texoma
Quarterly, 4th Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
Ruth McAdoo, 580-564-6803

Marshall County Chickasaw Community Council
Quarterly, 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Sarah Lea, 580-564-4570

NEWCASTLE
Northern Pontotoc Chickasaw Community Council
Bi-Monthly, 2nd Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
Todd Griffith, 405-615-1303

OKLAHOMA CITY
OKC Metro Chickasaw Community Council
1st Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Linda O'Hagen, 405-350-3311 or 405-409-3556

PURCELL
Purcell Chickasaw Community Council
4th Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
John Hobbs, 405-922-3926

TISHOMINGO
Johnston County Chickasaw Community Council
Bi-monthly, 3rd Monday at 6:30 p.m.
Ann Fink, 580-371-3351

ARIZONA
Chickasaws of Arizona
Quarterly Meetings
Angie Ott, 480-834-7309

CALIFORNIA
Inland Empire/Desert Cities Chickasaw Community Council
Quarterly, 3rd Saturday 2:00 p.m.
Bill Chandler, 714-604-5224 or wchandler@socal.rr.com

Northern California Chickasaw Citizen Connection
Quarterly
Phil Reynolds, 916-988-8182

COLORADO
Chickasaw Community Council of Colorado
Quarterly, 2nd Saturday
Stephen Bingham, 303-377-4637

KANSAS
Chickasaw Community Council of Wichita
Quarterly, 3rd Sunday at 2:30 p.m.
Lynn Stumblingbear, 316-393-0696

LOUISIANA
Monroe Area Chickasaw Citizen Connection
Semi-Annually
Chickasaw Outreach, 580-332-1165

MISSOURI
St. Louis Area Chickasaw Citizen Connection
Quarterly
Chickasaw Outreach, 580-332-1165

NEW ENGLAND
New England Chickasaw Citizen Connection
Semi-Annually
Chickasaw Outreach, 580-332-1165

NEW MEXICO
New Mexico Chickasaw Community Council
Quarterly, 3rd Saturday
Chris Rodke, 505-450-4802

NORTH CAROLINA
Raleigh Area Chickasaw Citizen Connection
Semi-Annually
Chickasaw Outreach, 580-332-1165

OREGON/WASHINGTON
Pacific Northwest Chickasaw Community Council
Quarterly
Kim Factor, 503-819-3097 or Rena Smith, 503-543-7401

TEXAS
Chickasaw Community Council of Central Texas
2nd Sunday at 1:30 p.m.
Gene Thompson, 512-258-7919 or 512-517-4404

Chickasaw Community Council of South Texas
Monthly, 2nd Sunday at 2 p.m.
Mark Fields, 210-269-2619

North Texas Chickasaw Community Council
3rd Saturday
John C. Atkins, 972-271-0692

Tyler Area Chickasaw Community Council
Quarterly
Howard Thompson, 903-570-9244

Texarkana Area Chickasaw Citizen Connection
Quarterly
Chickasaw Outreach, 580-332-1165

Pacific Northwest Chickasaw Community Council

Happy New Year Pacific Northwest Chickasaws! Our next council gathering is Saturday, February 12 and the theme is "Sharing." Come with your favorite Chickasaw family stories, recipes, heirlooms, photos, arts/crafts or anything else about your family's Chickasaw heritage you'd like to share. Bring your creative skills too as we'll be starting a council scrapbook and we need your

help! Join us as we look forward to getting to know one another and discuss the next year of our council. Quarterly Potluck Meeting: Saturday, February 12 from 1:30 p.m. - 4 p.m. Marshall Community Center - Vancouver, Wash. For further information contact Kim at (503) 819-3097 or Rena at (503) 543-7401.

Native writers receive support, assistance through Wordcraft Circle group

Native writers and storytellers are encouraged to join a Native writers' group that supports and promotes the work of Indian artists. Wordcraft Circle has recently been organized in Oklahoma. A Chickasaw writer, Robert Perry, is a member of the group's board of directors. The organization is a resurrection and reorganization of an organization founded in 1992 by Dr. Lee Francis III in Norman, Okla. Dr. Francis has since died, and his son, Lee Francis IV, now serves

as the group's national director. The focus of Wordcraft is to support writers and storytellers on a local level. In collaboration with their local communities, these artists can share their work locally while receiving support and technical assistance from Wordcraft. Wordcraft also works with publishers to donate books to Native schools, and also sponsors creative writing workshops. For more information, visit the group's website at www.wordcraftcircle.org

US Tennis Association grant to tribe

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. – The U.S. Tennis Association (USTA), the national governing body for the sport of tennis in the U.S., announced recently that the Chickasaw Nation has been awarded a program support grant for its tennis camp. The grant is for \$7,500 and is one of 15 grants totaling \$83,000 awarded by USTA.

The Chickasaw Nation offers several free tennis camps each summer, and they have proved to be popular with Chickasaw youth. The camps are divided into groups by age and ability. USTA is a non-profit organization with 750,000 members. The group invests 100 percent of its proceeds in growing the game.



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of Education, received this year's Leadership Award.

Linda Robins, Director of Environmental Services in the tribal Division of Housing, and Debra Jackson, Customer Service for the Division of Health, were both honored for 35 years of employment with the Chickasaw Nation.

Also honored during the event were those who have served as employees of the Chickasaw Nation for 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years.

Lahoma Clark, Steve Lunsford and Louise Shields were honored for 30 years of service. They each received a plaque and a ring adorned with the seal of the Chickasaw Nation.

For 25 years of service, employees received a Pendleton blanket with their name and years of service embroidered. They were Shelly Bray, Leah Delozier, Louise Gaddis, Mary Gipson, Tammy Gray, Harold Hamilton, Lester Hembree, Robert Hensley, Wayne King, Delores Monetathchi, Melinda Newport, June O'Dell, Jack Underwood and Jackie Williams.

Those who have dedicated 20 years to the Nation received a gold watch. They were Donald Alford, David Battice, Denisia Deramus, Renee Elliott, Vonda Factor, Melinda Filbeck, Betty Frazier, Pamela Nelson, Thurman Walker, Billy Ward and Darla Wolf.

Dedicating 15 years of employment to the Chickasaw Nation, and receiving a clock engraved with their name and years of service were Sandra Beller, Robert Bennett, Tracie Carter, Vicki Carter, Marilyn Coltz, Alice Cozad, Susie Crawford, Rebecca Easterling, Francis Fortner, Gabriel Frazier, Stacy Gibney, Billy Gipson, Kelley Gold, Mike Gross, Barbara Hatton, Chris Henry, Brenda Hughes, Kregg Leonard, Sherri McManus, Marsha Miller, Lura Mullican, Cathy Norfleet, Craig Parnacher, Rebecca Pennington, Sharon Postoak, Brenda Roberts, Sandi Sanders, Angela Scott, Kelly Short, Wanda Spradlin, Danny Thomas, Shelly Truett, Michael Underwood, Deborah Walker, Toni Waller, Susan Webb, Sharon West, and Maxene Williamson.

Employees honored for 10 years of service received a lapel pin with diamond and the Chickasaw Nation seal in gold.

They were Danny Alford, Anthony Amador, Jamie Bateman, Loretta Beverly, Charles Blackwell, Jacqueline Blankenship, Melinda Blevins, Nancy Boston, Carey Brantley, Dixie Brewer, Joe Brown, Chebon Buck, Morris Cane, Janice Carlton, Lea Caufield, Larry Cohee, Susan Crook, Nina Crossley, Michele Davis, Teresa Donahue, Christine Dorer, Jacqueline Downing, Stacy Edgar, Carla Eidson, Larry Ellis, Janet Frazier, Gary Freeland, Kristal Garcia, Traci Gold, Ina Grant, Timmy Harjochee, Elizabeth Harris, Patricia Harris, Zelma Hector, Ironda Hicks, Cynthia Highfield, LaNell Jackson, Amber Jarrett, Travis John, Lizabeth Johnston, Stephanie Leu, Angela Masters, Sheila Matthews, Jennifer Matthews, Heidi Mattingly, Sherri Miller, Jamie Mose, Kellie Mullins, Debbie Nail, Randy Neasbitt, Sharon Nelson, Ladena Parnacher, Jason Perry, Robert Pickens, Barbara Quinlan, Jason Reed, Lisa Rhynes, Norma Rich, Richard Roland, Annie Rowe, Carolyn Schmidtkofer, Lori Sharp, Hartley Sloan, Stanley Smith, Lisa Sudderth, Debi Tipton, Sandra Todd, Melanie Todd, Desiree Traylor, Sampson Underwood, Brandi Vinson, Nancy Wade, Dawnette Weaver, Joni Wellington, Phyllis Wilder, Rebecca Wilson and Kay Wynn.

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25 Years - Front row from left, Gov. Bill Anoatubby, Shelly Bray, June O'Dell, Tammy Gray, Mary Gipson, Delores Monetathchi, Lester Hembree and Leah Delozier. Back row from left, Harold Hamilton, Jackie Williams, Melinda Newport, Louise Gaddis, Jack Underwood, Wayne King, Robert Hensley and Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel.



20 Years - Front row from left, Gov. Bill Anoatubby, Betty Frasier, Denisia Deramus, Vonda Factor and Darla Wolf. Back row from left, Donald Alford, Renee Elliott, David Battice, Thurman Walker, Billy Ward, and Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel.



15 Years - Front row from left, Gov. Bill Anoatubby, Maxene Williamson, Brenda Hughes, Alice Cozad, Barbara Hatton, Shelly Truett, Sandra Beller, Lura Mullican, Wanda Spradlin and Brenda Roberts. Second row from left, Sharon West, Kelly Short, Cathy Norfleet, Marsha Miller, Susie Crawford, Marilyn Coltz, Gabriel Frazier, Vicki Carter, Michael Underwood and Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel. Third row from left, Susan Webb, Chris Henry, Becky Pennington, Sherri McManus, Craig Parnacher, Sharon Postoak, Sandi Sanders, Rebecca Easterling and Toni Waller. Back row from left, Danny Thomas, Mike Gross, Stacy Gibney, Tracie Carter, Robert Bennett, Kregg Leonard and Kelley Gold.



10 Years - Danny Alford, Anthony Amador, Jamie Bateman, Loretta Beverly, Charles Blackwell, Jacqueline Blankenship, Melinda Blevins, Nancy Boston, Carey Brantley, Dixie Brewer, Joe Brown, Chebon Buck, Morris Cane, Janice Carlton, Lea Caufield, Larry Cohee, Susan Crook, Nina Crossley, Michele Davis, Teresa Donahue, Christine Dorer, Jacqueline Downing, Stacy Edgar, Carla Eidson, Larry Ellis, Janet Frazier, Gary Freeland, Kristal Garcia, Traci Gold, Ina Grant, Timmy Harjochee, Elizabeth Harris, Patricia Harris, Zelma Hector, Ironda Hicks, Cynthia Highfield, LaNell Jackson, Amber Jarrett, Travis John, Lizabeth Johnston, Stephanie Leu, Angela Masters, Sheila Matthews, Jennifer Matthews, Heidi Mattingly, Sherri Miller, Jamie Mose, Kellie Mullins, Debbie Nail, Randy Neasbitt, Sharon Nelson, Ladena Parnacher, Jason Perry, Robert Pickens, Barbara Quinlan, Jason Reed, Lisa Rhynes, Norma Rich, Richard Roland, Annie Rowe, Carolyn Schmidtkofer, Lori Sharp, Hartley Sloan, Stanley Smith, Lisa Sudderth, Debi Tipton, Sandra Todd, Melanie Todd, Desiree Traylor, Sampson Underwood, Brandi Vinson, Nancy Wade, Dawnette Weaver, Joni Wellington, Phyllis Wilder, Rebecca Wilson and Kay Wynn



The WIC staff outside the new clinic at 1001 Country Club Road in Ada, Okla. Front row from left, Debra Cox, Rebecca Smith and Shirley Vasquez. Back row from left, Rachel Hatton, Juanita Stinnett, Gwendolyn Burris, Rhonda Skelton and Dawnna Brittain. Photo by Sharmina Manandhar.

WIC Clinic relocates to former Diabetes Center

ADA, Okla. - The Chickasaw Nation Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC) Clinic in Ada is now located at 1001 Country Club Road (the former Diabetes Care Center at Carl Albert Indian Health Facility).

A program funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, WIC provides nutrition

education as well as supplemental food package for the proper development of growing children from the prenatal period up to age five.

A WIC food package includes milk, cheese, fruit juice, eggs, cereal, whole grains, canned fish, peanut butter, beans/peas as well as fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables.

Chickasaw Nation WIC clinics are also located in Ardmore, Tishomingo, Sulphur, Pauls Valley, Purcell and Duncan.

For more information, please call (580) 436-7255 or toll free number 1-888-436-7255.

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Full-time positions open at Chickasaw Nation Division of Health

Due to the expansion at the new Chickasaw Nation Medical Center, the Chickasaw Nation Division of Health has full-time openings within the tribal boundaries for **Physicians in the following specialties:** • Emergency Department, Ada • CRNA, Ada

• Outpatient Internal Medicine, Ada • Pediatrician, Ada • Family Practice, Tishomingo
Other openings include: • Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants in Ada, Durant and Tishomingo

For details on any of the professional positions, please contact:

Ronnie Shaw, Professional Recruiter

Chickasaw Nation Health System

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Beth Campbell, Staff Recruiter

Chickasaw Nation Health System

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Chickasaw Nation Get Fresh! program announces classes

Ada Nutrition Services, 518 E. Arlington

Feb. 1: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 3: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 8: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 10: 10 a.m. and noon

For more information, call (580) 272-5506.

Ada Family Life/Wellness Center, 229 W. Seabrook

Feb. 2: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 9: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 10: 6 p.m.

For more information, call (580) 272-5506.

Ardmore Nutrition Services, 2350 Chickasaw Blvd.

Feb. 1: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 2: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 8: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 9: 10 a.m. and noon

For more information, call (580) 226-8289.

Purcell Nutrition Services, 1530 Hardcastle Blvd.

Feb. 1: 10 a.m., noon and 7 p.m.

Feb. 3: 10 a.m. and noon

Feb. 8: 10 a.m., noon and 7 p.m.

Feb. 10: 10 a.m. and noon

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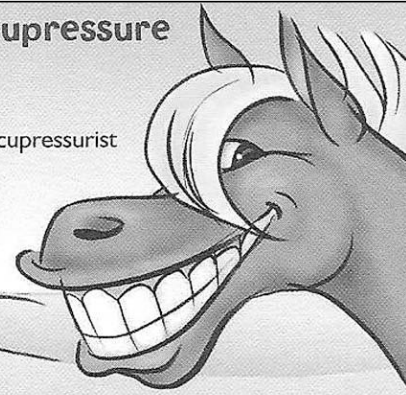
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Elder case manager ready to help you

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Chickasaw Foundation Upward Bound Leadership Council members are, from left, Tanner Britt, Journie Gray, Brandon Elmore, Honor Hilton, Shelby Hill and Kristina Sullivan

Chickasaw Foundation Upward Bound

The Chickasaw Foundation Upward Bound ended 2010 with its annual can food drive collecting close to 2,000 cans of food.

On December 21, members of the Chickasaw Foundation Upward Bound Student Leadership Council traveled across the Chickasaw Nation to provide food donations to Food Bank Johnston County in Tishomingo, Food Bank Marshall County in Madill, Mercy Health Hospital Food Bank in Marietta, Emergency Big 5 in Ardmore, First Baptist Church in Davis, and the Velma Community Food Bank.

2011 looks to be an exciting year for Chickasaw Foundation Upward Bound. A College and

Career Fair will be on January 29 at Murray State College in Tishomingo, Trio Day will be on February 23.

Trio Day is a celebration and recognition of the accomplishments of Oklahoma Trio participants and an opportunity to increase the awareness of Trio programs.

Tanner Britt, a senior in the Chickasaw Foundation Upward Bound Math & Science program, recently received his Student Leadership Council Scholarship from the Southwest Association of Student Assistance Programs. Tanner was an outstanding participant at the student leadership conference this past fall and was recognized for his effort.



Brandon Rolan, Chickasaw Foundation Upward Bound academic advisor, presents Tanner Britt his scholarship award.

Chickasaw Foundation 4th Annual T-Ball Tournament set for April 29-30 at Kiwanis Field in Ada

The Chickasaw Foundation will host the 4th Annual Chickasaw Foundation T-Ball Tournament at the Kiwanis Field in Ada, Okla.

The tournament will begin Friday, April 29 continuing through Saturday, April 30. The entry fee is \$75 before



April 1 and \$100 afterwards. Awards will be given to the first-through third-place finishers.

All local teams are invited to participate. If you are interested in entering your team or becoming a sponsor for the tournament, please contact the Chickasaw Foundation office at (580) 421-9031.



Johnna Walker

Chickasaw Foundation Executive Director Graduates from Leadership Ada

Congratulations to Ms. Johnna R. Walker, executive director of the Chickasaw Foundation.

She successfully completed the Leadership Ada program coordinated by the Ada Area Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Walker was honored along with other graduates on January 13 at the Oak Hills Golf and Country Club in Ada, Oklahoma.

Chickasaw Foundation Student of the Month

Ms. Jordan Hendricks, a senior at Madill High School, was selected as the Chickasaw Foundation (CFUB) Student of the Month for December 2010. She is a participant of the Chickasaw Foundation Upward Bound Math/Science program. She is also a member of the National Honor Society, BETA club, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCCLA), Chickasaw Honor Roll, Native American Club and co-captain of the academic team. She is the recipient of numerous academic achievements and awards.

Jordan volunteers bi-weekly at the Madill Bread of Life soup kitchen and participates in Pennies for Patients, Cell Phones for Soldiers, Santa Elves and the canned food drive at her school. Her future goals include attending the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center to become a pharmacist.



Jordan Hendricks

Chickasaw Foundation announces extensions for nonprofit management, career tech scholarships

The Chickasaw Foundation announces the extension of two scholarships. All scholarship applications must be delivered or postmarked by the stated deadline – February 28, 2011 – to be considered for funding. Funding for the scholarships will begin with the spring 2011 semester and is dependent upon the availability of funding.

The first scholarship is the *Chickasaw Foundation Nonprofit Management Scholarship*. It is for full-time Chickasaw undergraduate students with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. The student must be attending a four-year college or university pursuing a nonprofit management certification or related field of study to the nonprofit arena.

The *Chickasaw Foundation Career Technology Scholarship* is for a Chickasaw Nation employee who is at least 18 years of age and a high school graduate. The student must be attending a career technology, vo-tech or trade school and maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher.

Students may contact the Chickasaw Foundation by any of the following means:

www.chickasawfoundation.org ~Website
ChickasawFoundation@chickasaw.net ~email
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The Chickasaw Nation would like to hear from you! If you are a Chickasaw graduate of an accredited college or university, please let us know. Below is a short form for Chickasaw graduates to complete and return to the Chickasaw Nation Division of Education, Attention: Deborah Hook, 300 Rosedale Rd., Ada, OK 74820.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

College/University _____

College/University location _____

Major _____

Graduation date _____

Degree type _____

The Division of Education encourages Chickasaw college graduates of all ages and past college graduates to complete and submit the form. Upcoming spring graduates are encouraged to complete the form by April 1 and fall graduates are encouraged to complete the form by November 1.

For more information, email deborah.hook@chickasaw.net or call Deborah at (580) 421-7711.

This is a list of Chickasaw veterans, who were not included in a similar list published in the November *Chickasaw Times*. All Chickasaw veterans are eligible to receive a jacket and a medal recognizing and commemorating their service. **For information or assistance, or to add a Chickasaw veteran who does not appear on this list, please call Ted Underwood at (580) 226-4821 or toll free 1-888-808-9508 or Chickasaw Times at (580) 332-2977.**

* Deceased	Burris, Claud – Army, CW2
Adair, Randolph – Army, SGT T E-5	Burris, Gabriel – Army, E-4
Adair, Randy B. – Army, Vietnam, E5	Byars, Coy Van – Air Force, Sgt.
Adams, Alfred James – Army / Navy, WWII	Byers, Bruce – Marines, Buck Sgt
Adams, Harley – Army, WWII	Byers, Jack – Army
Adcock, Alverta June – Air Force, Vietnam	Byers, John William – Navy/Air Force
Adcock,Kenneth	Byers, Richard Lee – Marines
Adkins, Bobby – Army, SP 3	Caldwell, Irene – Army, SP3 (T)
Agnew, Phillip – U.S. Coast Guard, Seaman	Campbell, Thomas Lee – Army, SSG- E6
Allen, Barry Lynn – Navy, PN3 E-4	Caraway, Wayne – Army, WWII, Korean Conflict
Allison, Chad – Army National Guard	Carney, Von E. – Army, Korean conflict
Allison, Perry Wade*- Army , WWII	Carter, Steven L. – Air Force , 1970-1974, Sgt.
Amerson, John Robert – Army, WWII	Carvel, Alma
Amerson, Sammye Wayne – Oklahoma National Guard, 1972-1978, E-6	Cease, Henry – Marine, Sgt. E-5
Amerson, Wesley Henry – Nary, WWII	Chandler, Larry Dale – Navy, ATN-2
Anderson, James W. – Army, SP5 (T) E-5	Chapman, Lawrence David – Air Force, A2c E-3
Anderson, Ron	Childres, Leland K. – Army, Chief Warrant Officer Third Class
Anoatubby, Russell – Air Force, AIC	Christie, Aaron – Navy, CPO E7
Apala, Darwin	Christie, Joseph
Apala, Mike J. – Army, Vietnam	Clark, David
Apala, Robert – Air Force, Tech Sgt.	Clark, James C. – Air Force,
Archer, Fred Lee – Coast Guard, E-4	Clark, Jerry D. – Army
Archer, Russell – Army, 1st Lt.	Clark, Milton M. – Air Force, Retired with 25 years, Col., “Legion of Merit and
Arms, Harold – Marines, L/Cpl	Bronze star with other decorations.”
Armstrong, Amos B. – Army, Cpl	Clark, Samuel Joe – Army, Vietnam
Arnold, Mark H. – Army, SP-4, Vietnam	Cobb, Gary R. – Air Force, Master Sergeant
Ashley, John Remel* – Army, Korean conflict	Cobb, Gary R. – Air Force, SGT E-4
Bailey, Brad – Navy, Ash2 E5	Cobb, John G. – Army, SP6 E-6
Bailey, Gary	Cobb, Paul R. – Army
Ballard, Christopher	Colbert, Martin
Barlow, Howard	Colbert, Mary
Barnes, Shelly	Colbert, Robin – Navy
Bates, Ernest K. – Navy, AE2 E5	Cole, D. Wendel* – Army, Vietnam
Belvin, Jimmy – Army, Sergeant First Class E7	Cole, L. Derle – Army, Korean War
Belvin, William Blake – Army, Private First Class	Cole, M. George – Army, WWII, Purple Heart
Beshirs, Samuel D. Jr. – Navy, Aviation Electronic 2nd Class Petty Officer, OEF/OIF	Colins, Cecil
Billy, Walter – Navy, Petty Officer Third Class	Cook, Stanely – Army, SGT E5
Black, Thomas – Army, PV2	Cooper, Doyle – National Guard, PFC
Blanchard, Elmer	Courtney, Bennie – Army, Staff Sgt.
Borough, Derek	Crabbe, William – Army, Sp4 P E-4
Boudreau, David A. – Air Force, 1987-2007	Craft, Alana
Boudreau, Dixie J. (Blanchard) – Air Force, Vietnam	Cregger, Don Everett – Air Force, E-6
Boudreau, Edward J. Jr. – Air Force, 1986-1990	Crittenden, Gary Neal – Marines, Sgt E-5
Bourland, Robert – Marines, E-2	Crockett, Adolphus
Boyd, Dexter M. – Navy, 1957-1959	Crockett, Vaneus
Boyd, James	Crockett, Vaneus Virgil – Navy
Boyd, Patricia A. – Navy,	Crockett, Virgil
Brewer, Del	Cunningham, Ocha Keel – Army, 1954-1956, Spc 3
Brisco, Gale Gene – Air Force, E-8	Cunningtubby, Joe – Navy, Radioman 3rd class
Brouwer, Stanley	Dare, Jeff
Brown, Bill – Navy, MA2	Davis, Jeffrey
Brown, Cameron H. – Marines, Vietnam	Davis, Kevin
Brown, Charles H. Sr. – Army	Davis, Samuel – Army, ST 4 E-4
Brown, Charles H. Jr. – Army, Vietnam	Dempsey, John
Brown, Guy Robert – National Guard, Spec. 4	Dennis, Zachery W. – Army
Brown, Houston* – Army, WWII	Dillingham, Melvin – Army, SP4 E -4 T
Brown, James O.* – Air Force, TSGT WWII, Korea, Vietnam	Drake, George – Navy, MR2
Brown, Jess F.* – Army, WWII	Drannon, Stanley
Brown, Monroe C.* – Navy, S2, WWII	Duckworth, Bill
Brown, Ray – Army, CPT E3	Duckworth, Bobby – Army / Air Force, Civil Engineering, Retired Fire and Rescue
Brown, Ray C. – Army, Lt. Col	Chief, Europe
Brown, Richard L. – Air Force, Vietnam	Duckworth, Frankie – Air Force
Browning, Bennie J.* – Army, Vietnam	Duckworth, Fritz* – Army, Artillery, Europe
Brumley, Russell – Army Vietnam, E-4	Duckworth, K. K.* – Army / Merchant Marine, South Pacific
Bryant, James Steven – Army, E-5 Sgt	Duckworth, Lonnie Chuck* – Airborne
Buchanan, Larry – Army, Sp-5	Duckworth, Tommie* – Army, Cpl., Europe
Burkart, Bernard – Army, Sgt. E-5	Ebisch, Lawrence Paul – Army, Pvt.
Burris, Calvin Dewayne* – Army, PFC	Egge, Valla Dee Jack – Marines, LCpl E-3

Egge, Walter B. IV – Navy, L Cdr. Supply Officer
Fillmore, Adam Jr. – Army, 1967-1969, E-4
Finnerty, Brett L. – Air Force, Saudi Arabia, Desert Storm
Fisher, Jean – Marines, Cpl
Flud, Clifford W. – Army, SP4 (T) E-4
Foraker, Douglas A. – Air Force TSgt., Vietnam, Korea
Ford, Wm. Doug – Navy, WWII
Ferguson, Tommie Lee – Army, PFCE 3(P)
Foster, Charles – Air Force, Sr. Master Sgt.
Fowler, Edward
Fowler, Kenneth
Fowler, Shawn
Frazier, Harold
Freeman, Charles – Navy, 3rd Class
Freeman, Dennis E. – Navy, ADR-3
Freeny, Benjamin Clay* – Army, WWII
Freeny, Bennett Lane* – Army, WWII
Freeny, John Ellis* – Army, Korean War
Garrett, Melvin
Gaurdalibene, Charles
George, Brian
Gibson, Don
Gibson, Herbert
Givens, Tim – Air Force, AB E-1 (P)
Gore, Dennis
Grantham, John Marines – Sgt
Greenwood, Leon – Army, 1969-1971
Greer, Douglas
Greer, Todd Douglas – U.S. Marines, SSGT 1st Force Recon Rangers
Gustafson, Alford V. Jr. – Army, 1945-1947
Hagan, James F. – Army, Vietnam Sgt.
Halsell, Thomas – Navy, E-3
Hamilton, Billy H. – Army, 1977-1980, E-4
Hampton, Donald W. – Army, SP5
Hansard, Robert G – Air Force, 1991-1996, SRA, Desert Storm / Desert Shield
Harris, Benjamin – Army, E-5 Sgt
Harris, Pauline (Hicks) – Army (WAC), Sgt.
Hatton, J.B. – Army, SP-4
Hays, Ronny J. – Army, Vietnam, E-5
Henry, Charles Earl – Marines, Cpl.
Hensley, Raymond
Herrington, John B. – Navy, NASA Commander
Hicks, ale F. – Army, Spec. 4th Class
Hill, Andy O. – Army, 1987-2008, Sgt. 1st Class
Hisaw, Charles
Hitchcock, Chester – Navy, AMHC E-7
Holden, Kenneth
Holland, Robert – Army, PVT E2 (P)
Homer, Edgar Johnson – Army, SP4 (T) E-4
Homer, Homer G. – Army, 1961-1964
Hopkins, Lloyd George* – Army, WWII
Horton, Adrian U. – Army
Huffuss, Jerry
Hughes, Wiley
Humes, James – Navy, Chief Petty Officer
Hunter, Arlington* – Army, WWII
Hurley, Gerald G. – Air Force / Army, Cpl.
Hurley, Gerald G. – Air Force, Airman 2nd Class
Hurley, Virgil E. * – Army Air Corp, Cpl. WWII
Hurley, William D.* Army Air Corp Cpl.
Husted, Paul Rance – Army, Cpl E-4
Imotichey, Charles W. – Army, WWII, Purple Heart
Ivey, Jimmy
Jack, Walter – Army, SSG E-6
Jackson, Danny – Marines, L/Cpl
James, Jesse
James, Ronnie – Army, E-4
Jefferson, Douglas K. – Oklahoma National Guard, 1979-1983, PFC
Johnson, Brian
Johnson, Joe
Johnson, Lonnie Dale – Army, Sgt. E-5
Johnson, Ramsey – Army National Guard, SP-3 E-4
Johnson, Stanley Gene – Air Force, TSGT E-6
Johnston, Jack L. – Air Force, WWII
Johnston, Jackie

Jones, Danny – Marines, 1995-1999, 3rd Battalion 5th Marines, E-5
Jones, Johnny Lee – Army, Sp4 E-4
Jones, Richard M. – Navy, Airman
Jordan, Billy Gene – Navy, BT3
Jordan, Jeffrey – Army, PFC E3
Jordan, Jimmy – Navy, YN-3 E-4
Joyce, John
Keel, Ben B. Jr. – Air Force
Keel, Brian E. – Army
Keenan, Thompson – Navy, Airman 3rd
Kelley, James
Kelley, Robert
Kelso, Mark
Kemp, Eli
Kemp, Harry
Kerr, Dale E. – Army, SP (T) E-5
Kidd, William
Kilcrease, Floyd Lee Sr. – Army
Kilcrease, Samuel – Air Force
Kinnebrew, James
Kinney, James – Navy, Aviation Tech, 3rd Class
Kirby, Joe W. – Navy, Equipment Operator Chief (EOC), Vietnam
Kirby, Ronald Glenn – Marines, Cpl.
Kiser, Gary – Army National Guard, E-6
Kissee, Michael James – MarinesOEF/OIF
Knight, Tom D. – Air Force, Tech Sgt.
Krips, Gregory S. – Navy, 1976-1997, E6
Kusler, James P. – Army, E-4
Lair, Donald – Navy, USN
Lampkin, Hubert – Navy, DC 2nd Class
Lampkin, Kerry D. – Army, 2004-2008, E 4
Lang, James
Langley, Donald – Army, Pvt. E-1
Lawson, Udale – Air Force, 2nd Lt.
Leader, Billy F. – Marines,
Leader, Cecil J. – Army
Leader, Charles Dean – Air Force
Leader, Danny K. – Army
Lenertz, George – Navy, LTJC 0-2
Lewis, Gary H. – Army, PFC E3
Lewis, Royal P. Jr. – Air Force, 1st LT
Liebl, Vernie
Little, Shelby – Army, Colonel
Loften, David
Looney, Hal Aldrich – Air Force, WWII-Pilot, Ret. Major
Looney, James Brandon – Army
Looney, Victor Nedd. Jr. – Army, Colonel
Love, Donald G. – Navy, E5
Love, Richard – Army, SP5
Lowrance, Bill – Navy, E-9 Master Chief
Maidt, Albert Jr. – Army, Corporal
Manos, Michael
Martin, Gary D. – Army, SP4 (P) E-4
Maytubby, Bill J. – Navy, RD-3
Maytubby, Lymon – Army, CPT 0-3
Maytubby, Monroe E. – Army, WWII, PFC
McAlester, James – Army, Spec. 4
McCarter, Fred L. Jr. – Navy, RMC E-7
McCormick, Kenneth Don – Army, SP. 4
McGranahan, Mitchell – Army, Sp 3
McKinney, Ralph Doak – Army, WWII, Korean Conflict, Col., West Point Graduate
McLean, Homer D. – Army, 1957-1960
Meister, Brett A. – Marines, Helibourne Assault, Cpl., OEF/OIF
Miller, Mike T. – Army National Guard, E-5
Miller, Robert – Navy,
Milligan, Lonnie – Marine Corp, Lance Corporal, Vietnam
Milligan, Raymond
Minnett, John B. – Air Force, Korean Conflict, 1 Lt.
Mobley, Gordon E. – Army, Vietnam, Sgt.
Moody, Donald – Army, Cpl.
Moore, Bill Zack – U.S. Marines Corps, Captain
Moore, Eddy – Marines, PFC
Moore, Flying Clouds – Navy, SA
Moore, Joseph Michael – Navy, AMH3-E4
Moore, Kenneth

Moore, Robert E. – Army, Berlin crisis
Morris, Louie – Navy, Seaman 1st Class
Mullican, Lura – Navy, E-5
Murray, Richard – Air Force, E-3
Nave, Jack R. – Air Force, Msgt., 24 years
Ned, David E. – Army National Guard
Neumeister, Don
Newberry, James
Nichols, Orean – Air Force, E-8
Nickols, Robert – Army, PFC (P) E 3
North, Elmo
Northcutt, Billy Harrell – Air Force, Airman 1st Class
Norton, Walter M. – Air Force, A2c E-3
Nowlin, Mary E. – Navy, Vietnam
Nowlin, Philip A.
Nowlin, Raymond L. – Marines, Vietnam, Gulf War, OEF/OIF
Nowlin, Raymond L.* – Army, 340th Engineer - WWII
Nowlin, Steve W. – Army
Ortega, Timothy
Ortiz, Jeremy F. – Air Force
Ott, Johnson D. – U.S. Marines Corps, Sgt. E-5
Ott, Manuel – Navy, 1973-1977
Owens, Olen – Navy, E-3
Owens, Richard – Army, Sp4 E-4
Palmer, Edward A. – Army, 1971-1991, E-5
Palmer, Frank B. Jr. – Army, Vietnam, E5
Pannell, Ted – Army, E-4
Parker, Lewis – Army, Sgt
Parker, Ron – Marines, Sgt
Parks, Ignacio (Nacho) M. – Navy, Desert Storm
Parks, K.C. Jr. – Marines, Vietnam
Parks, Leo – Army, Vietnam
Parnell, Ewing, Jr. – Air Force, Senior Airman, Korean Conflict
Parra, Shelia (Taylor) – Air Force, 1989-2009, Afghanistan
Pate, Romme J. – Army, Vietnam, Sgt.
Paul, Joseph – Navy, SN
Paul, Tommy
Percival, Harold – Army, SP5 E5
Perry, Sequoyah
Perry, Wayne
Pershica, Carl D. – Army, PV1 E1
Pershica, Haskell F. – Air Force, CPL
Peters, Gregory
Pettenridge, Carlie
Pettigrew, Brian
Pettigrew, Robert
Pich, David – Army, Vietnam
Pickens, Arti Lee – Army, Vietnam
Pickens, Dexter – Army, Gulf War
Pickens, Patrick S. – Army, OEF/OIF
Pickens, Samuel Thomas – Army, Korea
Pickens, Vernell – Army, Vietnam
Piercy, Samuel – Army, SP5
Pitchlynn, Peter Paul* – Army, Captain WWII
Pitchlynn, Robert* – Marines, WWII
Ponder, Anthony
Powell, Lloyd
Powell, Scott TVMarines, 1958-1962
Price, Ben – Air Force, A1C E-3
Ragland, Walter A. – Army, 1966-1968, E-5
Randolph, Robert – Navy, HM2
Ray, Casey A. – Army National Guard, Sgt.
Ray, Scott
Ray, Todd R. – Air Force, MSgt.
Ream, Binnie* – WWII, WAC
Ream, Robert Lee V. – Navy, SSMT 3rd Class
Reams, Teresa
Reeder, Charles A.* - Army, 88th Infantry Div., COF 351st Regiment, WWII -POW
Reynolds, Ted N. – Navy, WWII
Reynolds, Walter – Army, PV1 E1
Rice, Jeffrey J. – Army Airbourne Ranger, Vietnam
Riddle, Ernest – Army, SFC
Riddle, Jerry W. – Navy, 1963-1966
Rider, Arnold

Rider, D.B. – Navy, Recruit
Rider, Larry D. – Air Force, A/3C
Risdon, Ronald D. – Navy, GMG2 E-5
Rivas, Franklin – Air Force, Staff Sgt.
Roark, Donald F. – Air Force / Army
Roark, Kevin D. – Army Airbourne, Vietnam
Roberts, Charles Allen – Navy, E-8
Roller, Gerald – Army, SP4 E-4
Rowe, James B. – Army, PFC
Saiser, Riachard W. – Air Force, Captain
Sanders, John L. – Army, Pvt.
Saxon, Marie (Bennett) – Air Force, A1C
Schaff, Eric A. – Army
Schaff, Mark A. – Army
Scott, Billy – Army, Sgt
Scribner, James – Army, Cpl
Scribner, James L. – Army, E7 1st Engineers Arctic Division
Seeley, Alonzo* – Army, WWI
Seeley, Emmett – Army, PFC
Seeley, Emmitt – Army, WWII
Seeley, Leon – Army, WWII
Seeley, Lesley
Seeley, Ottwell – Navy
Seeley, Walton – Army
Seeley, Wylie – Navy
Seely, Dwight – Army, SP5
Shaw, Bobby
Shiosee, Seddie – Army National Guard
Shiosee, Stevie – Army, Fort Hood Feb. 2009 - Present
Simms, Barry R. – Army, Infantry instructor, Korean era, 1 Lt.
Simms, Thomas S. – Marines, Major, Korean conflict
Sisson, Robert – Navy, AE1
Slater, Michael
Smith, Donald L. – Marines, SSGT
Smith, Donny Howard – Army, Private E-1
Smith, Floyd Jr. – Army, Sgt
Smith, Floyd W. – Army, Sp-4
Smith, Jack Lee – Army, Sgt.
Smith, James E. – Army, E-5
Smith, Michael
Somers, Doyle
Souders, Robert
Speaks, Sterling Silver Jr. – Army, SP4
Stanley, Jerry – Army, SGT (T)
Stanton, Jesse D. – Air Force, Sgt E-4
Staton, Doug – Air Force, 1964-1965, Sgt.
Stephenson, Thomas
Steward, Chris – Army, Sgt E-5
Stewart, David
Stewart, Sheri R. – Air Force
Sticks, Russell R.* – National Guard
Strong, Charles R.
Strong, Charles Richard – Army, Private E2
Strong, John Ralph – Air Force,
Strong, Thomas Anthony – Army, Private
Strong, William Robert – Army, Major
Suggs, Orel – Air Force, Korean era
Swaim, Henry
Sweeney, Leonard – Army, Cpl
Swinney, Charles B. – Army, Sgt. 1st Class
Swinney, Fred – Army, Pvt.
Swinney, Johnny – Air Force, A/2C
Talbott, Joshua
Taylor, Brian K. – Army
Taylor, George Porter – Navy, Korean conflict
Taylor, Jack Lee – Army, 1960-1964
Taylor, John Cecil – Navy, 1944-1945
Temberton, Bradley Chase II – Army, Ranger
Thomas, J.C. – Army, PFC
Thomas, Nathaniel – WWII
Thomas, Samuel – Army, SSG
Thompson, Eugene – Army, Colonel
Thorton, Patty
Torrey, Richard C. – Navy, SN E-3

Townsend, Sammie D. – Oklahoma National Guard, SSG, Vietnam
Truett, Norman – Army, Pvt. E-2 (P)
Tuley, Arnold J.* – Army, WWII, Sgt.
Tuley, Everett J.* – Air Force, Retired MSgt.
Tuley, Tommy R.* – Army, WWII Infantry, Tec5
Tupper, Jan – Marines, Captain
Turner, Doyle D. – Army, W-2
Tyson, Charles – Air Force, E-4
Underwood, Billie Lewis – Air Force, Airman 2nd Class
Underwood, Charles – Army, Sgt E-5
Vale, James M. Jr. – Army, Staff Sgt.
Wafford, Nem D. – Army, Vietnam
Walcott, Jack P. – Air Force, Berlin crisis
Walker, Billy – Army, Pvt. 1st Class
Walker, Johnny
Wallace, Christopher Lee – U.S. Army Band, SSGT
vWallace, David Lee – Air Force / Air National Guard Reserve, MSGT
Wallace, Joe Woodrow – Air Force, E-7
Ward, Michael
Washington, Marion
Wasson, Clark – U.S. Marines Corps, Sgt
Watson, Eddie – Navy, CWO-3
Watson, Jack W. – Navy, GMG1 E5
Watts, Lester – Army, SP4 E-4
Weaver, Jesse D. – Army, SP-5
Webb, William
Wells, Charlie – Army, Sgt.
Wells, Dee – Air Force, S-Sgt.

Wells, Gary C. – Navy, AMS3
Wells, Richard Lee – Navy, Seaman 1st Class
Whatley, Owen N. – Navy, AT3
White, Ben Jr. – Army Air Corp, WWII, Major
Whitfield, James
Wigginton, Edgar
Willard, Gaylan
Williams, Timothy W.VMarines
Williams, Tommy – Air Force, SSGT E-5
Williford, Alan F. – Army National Guard, Vietnam
Willis, John Gibson* – Air Force, WWII
Willis, Overton Love* – Army, WWI
Willis, Paul
Willis, Paul Jr.
Wilson, Matthew
Wisdom, Beaman – Army, SP 4th Class
Wisdom, Johnson – Army
Wolfe, Jan Sr. – Navy, SN E-3
Woodruff, David C. – Marines
Woody, Charles – Navy, V-6
Worcester, Terry
Wright, George – Army, E-5
Wyatt, Richard
Wyers, Sampson Jr. – Navy, PHM2-C
Young, Gerald – Army, SP-3
Young, Roger – Army, SFC
Zack, Sharon – Navy, YN3
Hawkins, John R. – Air Force, WWII

Legal Notice

Important information about the \$3.4 billion Indian Trust Settlement

For current or former IIM account holders, owners of land held in trust or restricted status, or their heirs

There is a proposed Settlement in *Cobell v. Salazar*, a class action lawsuit about individual Indian land held in trust by the federal government. This notice is just a summary. For details, call the toll-free number or visit the website listed below.

The lawsuit claims that the federal government violated its duties by (a) mismanaging trust funds/assets, (b) improperly accounting for those funds, and (c) mismanaging trust land/assets. The trust funds include money collected from farming and grazing leases, timber sales, mining, and oil and gas production from land owned by American Indians/Alaska Natives.

If you are included in the Settlement, your rights will be affected. To object to the Settlement, to comment on it, or to exclude yourself, you should get a detailed notice at www.IndianTrust.com or by calling 1-800-961-6109.

Can I get money?

There are two groups or “Classes” in the Settlement eligible for payment. Each Class includes individual IIM account holders or owners of land held in trust or restricted status who were alive on September 30, 2009.

Historical Accounting Class Members

- Had an open individual Indian Money account (“IIM”) anytime between October 25, 1994 and September 30, 2009, and
- The account had at least one cash transaction.
- Includes estates of account holders who died as of September 30, 2009, if the IIM account was still open on that date.

Trust Administration Class Members

- Had an IIM account recorded in currently available data in federal government systems any time from approximately 1985 to September 30, 2009, or
- Owned trust land or land in restricted status as of September 30, 2009.
- Includes estates of landowners who died as of September 30, 2009 where the trust interests were in probate as of that date. This means you have asked a court to transfer ownership of the deceased landowner’s property.

An individual may be included in one or both Classes.

What does the Settlement provide?

- A \$1.5 billion fund to pay those included in the Classes.
- A \$1.9 billion fund to buy small interests in trust or restricted land owned by many people.
- Up to \$60 million to fund scholarships to improve access to higher education for Indian youth.
- A government commitment to reform the Indian trust management and accounting system.

How much can I get?

- Historical Accounting Class Members will each get \$1,000.
- Trust Administration Class Members will get at least \$500.
- If you own a small parcel of land with many other people, the federal government may ask you to sell it. You will be

offered fair market value. If you sell your land it will be returned to tribal control.

If you believe you are a member of either Class and are not receiving IIM account statements, you will need to call the toll-free number or visit the website to register.

What are my other rights?

- If you wish to keep your right to sue the federal government about the claims in this Settlement, you must exclude yourself by **April 20, 2011**.
- If you stay in the Settlement you can object to or comment on it by **April 20, 2011**. The detailed notice explains how to exclude yourself or object/comment.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia will hold a hearing on June 20, 2011, to consider whether to approve the Settlement. It will also consider a request for attorneys’ fees, costs, and expenses in the amount of \$99.9 million. However, Class Counsel has fee agreements that would pay them 14.75% of the funds created for the Classes, which could result in an award of \$223 million. The Court may award more or less than these amounts based on controlling law. If approved, these payments and related costs will come out of the Settlement funds available for payment to Class Members.

If you wish, you or your own lawyer may ask to appear and speak at the hearing at your own cost. For more information, call or go to the website shown below or write to Indian Trust Settlement, P.O. Box 9577, Dublin, OH 43017-4877.

Practice of marriages of convenience cruel legacy of times

BY RICHARD GREEN | CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Do you recognize them? Odds are you don't because this photo was published in the July 15, 1900, edition of *the New York Tribune*. Identifying them only as a "Chickasaw bride and buck," the photo accompanied a lengthy article about non-Indian men buying young Indian women as wives to gain control of their land.

The Chickasaw was identified as one of several tribes from which young women had been purchased.

The two Indian people pictured at right were unnamed and not featured in the article, so readers could not know if the woman was a product of the despicable practice. Furthermore, very few readers probably knew enough to recognize that the blanket and skirt she wore were associated more with Plains tribes, suggesting she might not even be Chickasaw.

But, the worst aspect of the largely well-meaning article was that its lead gratuitously and incorrectly credited President William McKinley with "taking the first step" to end the practice.

Actually, as was noted farther down in the article, the Chickasaw [Legislature] took the first step by passing a law on November 30, 1899, raising the price of a marriage license from \$50 to \$1,000. (That's roughly equivalent to \$1,300 and \$26,400, respectively, in 2009 money).

The *Tribune* gave President McKinley the credit, but the law was made and passed by the tribal legislature to deal with the immoral practice of selling women to be brides in deals that were often strictly business.

This was but one evil offspring of the creation of the land allotment system, which, following 1893 when Congress applied it to the Five Civilized Tribes, generated a veritable swarm of con men, grafters, swindlers and whatever you call people who purchase Indian women as brides to enrich themselves.

Many involved in the transactions were trusting, unsophisticated Indians induced with an immediate payment by deceitful non-Indian men to sell, or, in effect, temporarily lend their daughters or wards.

According to *the Tribune*, sometimes the practice was so demeaning, that some women were auctioned to the highest bidder. As an example, "a pretty Osage girl was sold at auction for 283 ponies or \$2,830."

The goal of the non-Indian men was to divest the Indian woman of her valuable land allotment, which for members of the Five Civilized Tribes averaged about \$5,000. He or his lawyer negotiated the price with the seller (usually the girl's family member or guardian) and paid up in some fashion. Then, the "suitor-investor" paid the marriage license fee to the woman's tribe.

This entitled the non-Indian man to tribal membership as an intermarried citizen. In effect, he would have purchased an interest in his new wife's land allotment. Then, the wife would sign over to her new "husband" the allotment, or at least as much of it as possible. He would resell it, pocket the money, and the "wife" would never see him again.

Doubtless, most were relieved emotionally and psychologically not to have to carry out any marriage obligations. They had been relieved of their valuable property, which was the point of the transaction.

While *the Tribune* implied that many Indian women were victimized this way, how many is unknown and very likely unknowable. There are no numbers in either of the most authoritative books on the Dawes Commission and the land allotment system: Angie Debo's *And Still the Waters Run*, and Kent Carter's *Dawes Commission and the Allotment of the Five Civilized Tribes, 1893 to 1914*.

According to the article, "a great many licenses" were issued in the weeks leading up to November 30, but none have been issued in the six months since.

That was probably true, but other parts of the article were patently false. For example, the article made the claim that according to the last census, more than 11,000 Chickasaw women between the ages of 18 and 25 were unmarried. According to the final roll in 1907, the Chickasaws by blood had only 5,659 mem-



bers, male and female.

The article identified several tribes whose members also had been involved in selling young women. Without documentation, the article listed the Kiowas, Comanches, Apaches, Creeks and Osages.

Note: Mitch Caver found the article and photo at the Library of Congress website.

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LEGISLATIVE MINUTES

**CHICKASAW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION
Chickasaw Nation Legislature Building
Ada, Oklahoma
December 17, 2010**

AGENDA ITEM #1 CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson David Woerz called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM #2 ROLL CALL

Members present: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Steve Woods, David Woerz

Staff present: Doretta Sellers, Recording Secretary, Harold Stick, Sergeant-At-Arms, Robert Cheadle, Legislative Counsel

Guests present: Dana Lance, Wilma Pauline Stout Watson, Mike Watson, S. Ashley Large, Claude Miller, Jo Ann Miller, Michael L. Wingo, Tony Choate

AGENDA ITEM #3 INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Ms. Green.

AGENDA ITEM #4 READING OF MINUTES - November 19, 2010
A motion was made by Ms. Green and seconded by Ms. Briggs to approve the November 29, 2010 minutes.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Steve Woods, David Woerz

12 yes votes

The motion to approve the minutes of November 29, 2010 carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #5: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

AGENDA ITEM #6: REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Steve Woods

Permanent Resolution Number 28-001, Amendments to Title 16, Chapter 2 of the Chickasaw Nation Code (Committees and Rules)

This resolution amends Sections 16-204 and 16-205 to reflect the proper hierarchy of committees and their operating rules.

A motion was made by Mr. Woods and seconded by Ms. Briggs to approve PR28-001.

Ms. Green made a recommendation to amend Section 16-204, Part D by changing "representative" to "Legislator."

A motion was made by Ms. Green and seconded by Ms. Briggs to amend "representative" to "Legislator."

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Steve Woods, David Woerz

12 yes votes

The motion to approve the amendment carried unanimously.

Mrs. Alexander recommended to amend Section 16-204, Part D, by changing "one thousand-five hundred dollars" to "five hundred dollars."

A motion was made by Mrs. Alexander and seconded by Ms. Case to amend "one thousand-five hundred dollars" to "five hundred dollars."

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Steve Woods

5 yes votes

Members voting no: Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, David Woerz

7 no votes

The motion to approve the amendment carried failed.

A vote was taken to approve Permanent Resolution 28-001 as amended.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Steve Woods, David Woerz

12 yes votes

The motion to approve PR28-001, as amended, carried unanimously.

Mr. Woods concluded his report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Scott Colbert

General Resolution Number 28-013, Approval of Development Budget Amendment

(Artesian Hotel Phase 2)

This resolution approves the amendment to the Development Budget for the Artesian Hotel Phase 2, Project Number 20-0081-08 in the amount of \$13,693,516.00, as more particularly described in Exhibit A.

The site where the Artesian Hotel was located is also the site of the Chickasaw

Nation's first business. After the 1962 fire another hotel was built but fell into foreclosure. The Chickasaw Nation bought the hotel land in 1972 and built the Chickasaw Motor Inn, which had a modern appeal but lacked the historical beauty of the original Artesian.

The town of Sulphur has not had a destination type of hotel since the Artesian. Currently, there is not an adequate facility to host events and visitors. In addition to returning some of the glory to downtown Sulphur, and providing a much needed venue, the new hotel will be a natural complement to the Chickasaw Cultural Center. Guests who visit the Cultural Center could extend their cultural and historic experience by staying in a hotel which evokes memories of the glory days the area enjoyed during early statehood.

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Colbert and seconded by Mr. Tim Colbert to approve GR28-013.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Steve Woods, David Woerz

12 yes votes

The motion to approve GR28-013 carried unanimously.

Mr. Scott Colbert concluded his report.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Dean McManus

No report.

LAND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Linda Briggs
General Resolution Number 28-014, Agricultural Lease No. G09-1752 in McCurtain County

This resolution approves Agricultural Lease No. G09-1752, for grazing purposes on property belonging to the Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations in McCurtain County, Oklahoma, containing 330.60 acres, more or less, in favor of Curtis Wheeler. The proposed lease will be for a five (5) year term beginning on January 1, 2010, and expiring on December 31, 2014, with a per annum payment of \$3,250.00, of which the Chickasaw Nation will receive \$812.50.

A motion was made by Ms. Briggs and seconded by Ms. Green to approve GR28-014.

Members voting yes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Steve Woods, David Woerz

12 yes votes

The motion to approve GR28-014 carried unanimously.

Ms. Briggs concluded her report.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Nancy Elliott

No report.

HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Connie Barker

No report.

HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Shana Hammond

No report.

AGENDA ITEM #7

NEW BUSINESS (Comments from Citizens)

Mr. Mike Watson commented on the storm cellar program, the food at the Ardmore Senior Citizen Site, the MAPS Program, and he encouraged an audit on tribal funds.

AGENDA ITEM #8

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Session adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dean McManus, Secretary Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

Prepared by: Doretta Sellers, Recording Secretary Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

Note of Thanks



Garrett Drapeau

The family of Garrett Wayne Drapeau would like to thank everyone for all of the prayers, love and support we received during is courageous battle with leukemia.

We also want to thank the following: Sand Creek Church, Loren Black for his support, prayers and visits to the hospital; Rock Spring Baptist Church; Wewoka Methodist Church; Chad Smith, Principal Chief of the

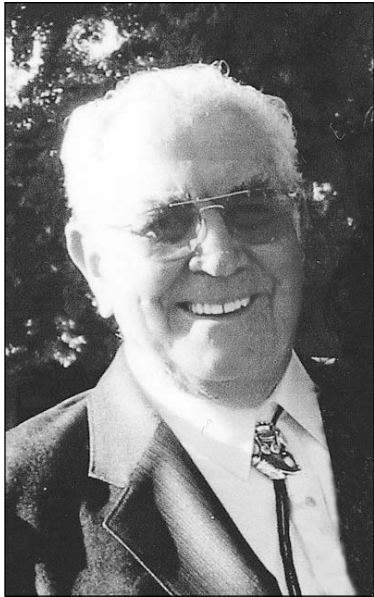
Cherokee Nation, for taking time out of his busy schedule to visit Garrett at the hospital; United Keetoowah Band of the Cherokee Indians; Seminole Nation Light Horseman; Sequoyah High School staff, students and Garrett's former classmates.

We appreciate all the food, flowers and donations. Mvto, wa-do, and thank you are not enough for all of the support that we received during this trying time.

Sincerely,

The Family of Garrett W. Drapeau

Charles "Chuck" E. Couchman



Charles "Chuck" E. Couchman died Dec. 12, 2010. Services were Dec. 19 at Walton Sparks Funeral Home.

He was born Aug. 9, 1933 to John and Hattie Couchman at Pittsburg County, OK.

He graduated high school from Chilocco Indian School in 1950 in Oklahoma. He served his country in the U.S. Army and was a paratrooper stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C.

He married Margie L. Taylor, of Modesto, Calif., April 30 1955. They were married 11 years and had five children.

He worked in a number of trades throughout his life. He was a truck driver and master mechanic, he superintendent for Helms Construction (Nevada) and Ghilotti Brothers Construction (California) to name a few.

After moving to Reno in 1975 he met and married Jeanette Holley, of Sparks, Nev. He was an avid outdoorsman. He was a gun enthusiast and collector. He was truly in his element when trading, buying or selling tools, automobiles and various kinds of equipment. He enjoyed watching war and western movies. He will always be remembered for his daily routine of going to 'the shop', where he worked and spent time with his brother, Gene and friends. He was a member of the Shriners. It was these interests that filled the years of his retirement. In the latter years of his life he health deteriorated until his death.

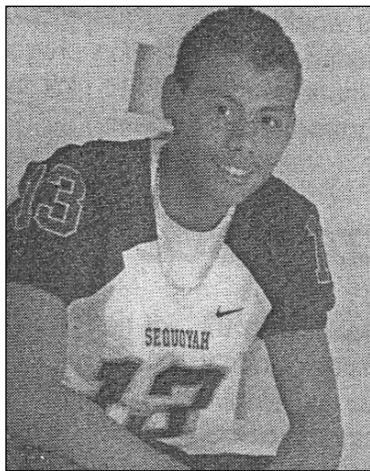
He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Hattie Couchman; a sister, Mary Bell;

and a great-granddaughter, Hadley Fox.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanette; a brother, Gene Couchman; children, Brenda and Don Fos; Randy and Tanja Couchman, Alan and Carol Couchman, Greg and Sherri Couchman, Glenda and Milan Mitrovic, Susan Holley and John Holley; grandchildren Brandon and Angela, Colin, Evan Fox, Hayley and Andrew Evans, Brent and Lindsey, Amy Jo, and Bryan Couchman, Valerie and Jason Serio, Nathan and Leann, and Tyler Couchman, Sara, Danielle, Lance, Emily and Ryan Couchman; Susan's children, Jason LeBlanc, Jennifer LeBlanc and Alon, Kathryn LeBlanc and Wayne; and great-grandchildren, Andrew Sadler, Keegan and Liam Fox and Ozzie and Ivy Serio.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations in memory of Charles E. Couchman be made to Kerak Shriners' Childrens Hospital, 4935 Energy Way, Reno, NV 89502.

Garrett Wayne Drapeau



Garrett Wayne Drapeau, 19, of Tahlequah, Okla., and a Northeastern State University student died Nov. 6, 2010 at St. Francis Hospital, Tulsa. Services were Nov. 10, 2010, at the Mekusukey Mission Gymnasium, Seminole, Okla., with Rev. Houston Tiger and Lorne Beck officiating. Interment followed at the Harjo Family Cemetery, located west of the Mission.

He was born April 13, 1991 at Ada, Okla., to Ronald Eugene Frazier and Vanessa Lynette Drapeau.

He was a full-time student at Northeastern State University and worked at the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians Casino. He was of the Catholic faith.

He is survived by his mother and father, of Tahlequah; grandparents, Virgie Frazier, of Ada, and Imogene and Kenneth W. Drapeau, of Ada; brothers, Jeremy P. Drapeau and Lonnie Joe Drapeau, of Tahlequah; and sisters, Maleah J. Drapeau-Frazier, of Tahlequah and Karlington D. Drapeau, of Ada.

Casket bearers were Mike Lowe, Leo Tiger, Pvt Rogers, Joe Fixico, Dylan Fixico, Devan Fixico, Randall Lowe and Keith Bear.

Honorary bearers were Eugene Lowe, Leo Tiger, Sr., Tim Rogers, Ashley Bear, Willie Stick, Matt Billy and Trampis Snell.

Nelda Loretta Farmer



Nelda Loretta Farmer, 69, of Grant, Okla., died Dec. 16, 2010. She was born Jan. 13, 1941 at Yarnaby, Okla., to RE and Nettie Freeman Beshirs.

She married Rev. Wayne Farmer May 25, 1957 and shared 54 wonderful years together.

She had many great qualities, she was a homemaker, a long standing member of Leslie Chapel Pentecostal Church, and was a member of the Midway Echos for nearly 20 years.

Mrs. Farmer was very proud of her Indian heritage.

She was an amazing woman who strived for strong family ties.

She is survived by her husband Rev. Wayne Farmer; children, Loretta Wakefield, Retha Dickerson and husband, Darrel, Norma Freeman and husband, Mike, and Sebrina Osmer and husband, Danny; 10 grandchildren, David Duniagan, Katrina Baldwin, Eric Freeman, Misty Milam, Jennifer Copeland, Tawana Wynn, John Osmer II, Steven Osmer, Devin Osmer, and Katlin Osmer; 17 great-grandchildren

Kevin Sessions, David Duniagan II, Dakota Baldwin, Cheyenne Baldwin, J.W. Copeland, Katlyn Copeland, Ka'Lah Davis, Cheyenne Lewis, Jared Milam, Keola Wynn, Weston Milam, Breonna Wynn, Cullen Wynn, Kylie Copeland, Aden Osmer, Dakota Osmer and Eli Baldwin; two sisters, and seven brothers.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers, Ruel Beshirs and Bobby Beshirs.

She is dearly loved and will be missed

Betty Gene Givens



Betty Gean Givens died Dec. 13, 2010.

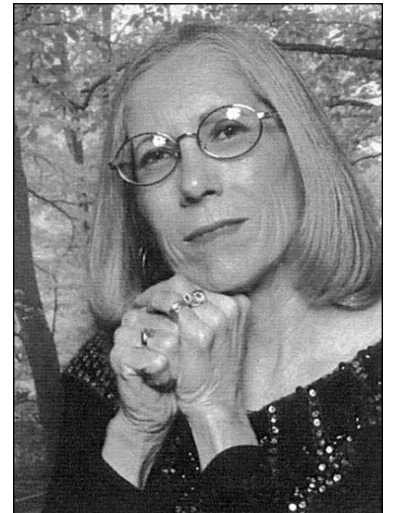
She was retired from Southwestern Bell Company (ATT), from Tulsa. She was a wife, mother, grandmother and loved her family with all that could be given.

She is survived by her husband, Richard J. Given, of the home; five children, Kelli Moore, of Norman, Okla., Sherill Callison, of Hugo, Okla., Cary Callison, of Chicago, Johnna Callison, of Sacramento, Calif., and Shawn and Annabel Callison, of Lone Grove, Okla.; nine grandchildren; two step-children; seven step-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren; cousins, Jack and Donna Sharp, of Prump, Nev., Carol Sharp, of McAlester, Okla., Lynn Sharp, of Dallas, Bill Sharp, and Barbara Sharp, both of McAlester.

Betty as my wife gave all that a person could give.

We love you and will greatly miss you. You will always be with us and all of your special friends.

Ladeana Faye Jack



Ladeana Faye Jack died Dec. 29, 2010. She was born July 31, 1943 at Sulphur, Okla.

She was a Chickasaw citizen and the great-granddaughter of Mary Sugars Johnson-Jack, an original enrollee. She was the daughter of the late Bill Jack.

She is survived by her children, Amanda Jack and Jeffery Jack, both of Oklahoma City; three grandchildren; a great-grandson; a sister, Dee Jack-Egge and husband, Walt; three brothers, Billy Bose Jack and wife, Carolyn, John Walter Jack and wife, Anita, and Jerry Van Jack and wife, Janette; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Cremation took place at her request.

Friends and family may remember her in their own personal way. In lieu of flowers memorial donations can be made in honor her to her son, Jeffery Jack McMillan.

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CONTRIBUTED BY Dana Lance, tribal media relations.

Clinton Don 'CD' Little



Clinton Don "C.D." Little, 49, of Liberty, Okla., died Dec. 31, 2010 near Liberty in an automobile accident. Services were Jan. 4 at the Kemp Baptist Church, Kemp, Okla., with Pastor Roger Speers and Mr. Jan Kelly officiating. Burial followed at the Kemp Cemetery.

He was born Feb. 3, 1961 at Amarillo, Texas to Clinton Doyle and Charlotte Ann Cranford Little.

He was an Achille (OK) High School graduate and lived in Liberty most of his life.

He was a Denison Firefighter and became an emergency medical technician in December 1992 and a paramedic in May of 1993. He became an engineer April 1, 1996, was named EMT of the Year in December 2004, an intermediate firefighter in October 2008, and advanced firefighter in January 2009. He became lieutenant May 1, 2009 and was named Fireman of the year in December 1999. He was the current president of the Firefighters Association.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Kayli Little (December 5, 2006).

He is survived by his mother, Charlotte Ann Strate; father, Clinton Doyle Little; a son Clinton Dereck Little, all of Liberty; and a brother, Michael Todd Little, of Dallas.

Pallbearers were Chad Lemons, Kelly Copley, Harlan Owen, Eric Medders, Tom Floyd and Bryan Little.

Honorary bearers were Randy Anderson, Barry Burgess, Bryan Means, Billy Mullens, Donny Hutchings, Dennis Lemons and Larry Townsend.

Margaret Mildred Ralls



Margaret Mildred Ralls, 86, died Nov. 29, 2010 at the Wagoner Care Center. Funeral services for, were Dec. 1, at the Mallett Funeral Home Chapel in Wagoner, Okla., with the Rev. Carl Murphy officiating.

She was born Jan. 29, 1924 at Kenefic, Okla., to Fred and Mildred (Wilfong) Goforth.

She and her husband, Charles S. Ralls, moved to Wagoner in 1952. She was a wonderful homemaker for her family.

She was a member of the Order of Easter Star and a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Wagoner.

She enjoyed crocheting and playing games like, Bingo, Canasta and especially playing Skipbo with her grandchildren.

She was a great sports fan. She loved the Chicago Cubs, the Dallas Cowboys and the University of Oklahoma football.

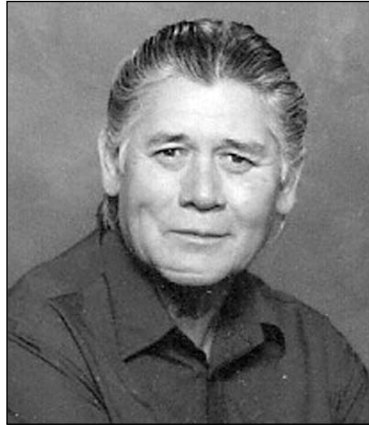
She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Charles in 1984; two brothers, Sanford and Bill Goforth; a sister Juanita Long; a daughter-in-law, Janie Ralls; a son-in-law, Mark Hellinger; and a granddaughter, Robin Ralls.

She is survived by her three children, Rebecca Patterson and husband, Bill, Nancy Hellinger, and Billy Ralls, all of Wagoner; six grandchildren, Crystal and Will Patterson, Kathy Hellinger, Kimberly Dorr, Rhonda Moore, and Jennifer Ralls; 12 great-grandchildren, Samantha Sullivan, Bobbi Anne, Kelli, and Poss Compton, Bailey, Maci, and Caleb Dorr, Amanda, April, and Amy Moore, and Caleb and Katie Rankins; two great-great-grandchildren, Hannah Rainey and Ayrick Behm; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were Bill Patterson, Dennis Dorr, Garey Rainey, David Morrison, Nathan Morrison, and Charles Dodson.

Memories and condolences for the family may be left online at www.mallettfuneralhome.com

Lawrence 'Chili' Shoemaker



Lawrence "Chili" Shoemaker, 65, died Jan. 7, 2011 at Lone Grove, Okla. Services were Jan. 10, 2010 at the Chapel at Griffin-Hillcrest with the Rev. Jay Mule officiating. Interment followed at McAlister Cemetery, Overbrook, Okla.

Mr. Shoemaker was born June 6, 1945 at Ardmore, Okla., to Ella Mae (Shoemaker) Willmond.

He attended school at Overbrook and Greenville schools and graduated from Plainview High School in 1964. He graduated from Haskell Institute of Welding.

He moved to Oakland, Calif., to pursue his welding career. This is where he met and married his first wife, Geri Vavalis. He enlisted in the U. S. Army where he served his country in Germany and Korea. After his discharge he moved to Juneau, Alaska, to be with his wife and daughter. In 1970 he moved to Dallas, and took up the trade of a surveyor and in 1977 moved to Ardmore where he worked in the oilfield. In 1979 his marriage ended. He later met and married, Shirley.

He was a member of McAlister Baptist Church where he accepted the Lord. He enjoyed gardening, working with horses, baseball, golf and pool.

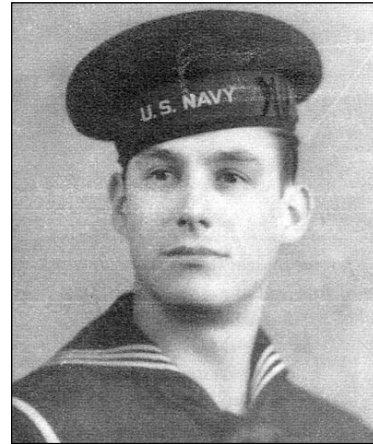
He was preceded in death by his mother, Ella Mae Willmond; brothers, Ronnie Willmond and Ray Willmond; and great-nephew Kylien Anh Willmond-Nguyen.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley, of the home; a daughter, Keri Shoemaker-Combs, of Juneau; three grandsons, Cody and Austin Shoemaker, both of Juneau, and Richie Combs, Jr., of Yakima, Wash.; a brother, Marcus Willmond and a sister, Melissa Mose, both of Ardmore; an uncle, Erie Shoemaker, of

Ardmore; and an aunt, Sylvia Padilla, of Dallas.

Pall bearers were Lee Roy Mose, Don Mose, Tom Farve, Jim Marris, Larry Buck and Gary Brown.

Kenneth Eugene Stewart



Kenneth Eugene Stewart died Dec. 18, 2010 at the Norman Veterans Center. Graveside services were Dec. 23 at Resthaven, Oklahoma City, with Rev. Gary Wilburn officiating.

He was born Jan. 15, 1920 to Earl and Illanoyah (White) Stewart at Wynnewood, Okla.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked as a lineman, in the switch office and as a PBX repairman for Southwestern Bell until his retirement in 1985. He served as president for the local CWA Union and was a lifetime member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

His father, Earl Stewart, was the son of Chickasaw light-horseman and U.S. Marshall, Charles Stewart and Josphine Harris, daughter of Capt. JD Harris, and sister of Governor Bob Harris. She is also referred to in Chickasaw Rancher. Earl Stewart's grandfather was Wylie Stewart, whose name can be found on the Masonic monument located at Boggy Depot. Charles Stewart's mother was Nancy Folsom.

His mother, Illanoyah Stewart, was the daughter of Malissa Harris White and the granddaughter of Governor Cyrus Harris.

Mr. Stewart was preceded in death by his wife, Geraldine (Riker) in 1958 and wife, Anna Margene (Sanders) in 1997; a brother, Monte (1986); a brother-in-law, Mitch Mitchell; a sister-in-law, Jimmie Gene Paine Stewart.

He is survived by his son, Kenneth and daughter-in-law,

Marilyn; sisters, Louise Johnson and Towanna Mitchell; a grandson, Dr. John Stewart and wife, Mary Tsien; a great-granddaughter, Eleanor Viviana; and a granddaughter, Shannon Stewart.

Marion Overton Whitfield



Marion Overton Whitfield, of Duncan, Okla., died May 24, 2010 at the Comanche County Hospital, Lawton, Okla. Funeral services were May 27 at the Comanche Funeral Home Chapel with Grady McCord officiating. Burial followed at Fairlawn Cemetery.

Mr. Whitfield was born June 26, 1921 at Ardmore to Alphaeus Laroyal and Alice Jane (Lavers) Whitfield.

He proudly served his country during World War II in the U. S. Navy from 1940 - 1946. He married Sadie Earl Green, May 10, 1941 at Waurika, Okla.

He loved to play dominoes and had a keen interest in military blimps, because of his naval experience. He was a member of the Chickasaw Nation and very proud of his Native American heritage.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; a son, Stephen Reed Whitfield; a grandson, Ronald Edmund Jacome; two great-grandchildren; a sister, Gwendolyn Leahy; and a brother, Billy Whitfield.

He is survived by a daughter, Kathleen Whitfield Stoner and husband, Melvin, of Duncan; two sons, Michael Whitfield, of Ft. Worth and Mark Whitfield and wife, Kathy, of Decatur, Texas; nine grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a brother Jack Whitfield and wife, Dorothy, of Loco, Okla.; and many nieces, nephews and close friends.

Online condolences may be sent to www.comanchefuneralhome.com

JANUARY 2011 RESOLUTIONS

**General Resolution Number 28-015
Approval of Development Budget
Amendment****Newcastle New Gaming Building**

Explanation: This resolution approves the amendment to the Development Budget for the Newcastle New Gaming Building, Project Number 1124-NEW-GAM-C in the amount of \$5,481,850.00, as more particularly described in Exhibit A.

This proposal involves the design, engineering and construction of a new 16,000 square foot building to house a drive thru smoke shop, add office space for accounting personnel and approximately 500 new gaming machines on the Newcastle Gaming site.

The Newcastle Gaming Center continues to experience a steady growth in business. Coupled with this increase in business, there is an ever present increase in demand to provide more opportunities for our customers and provide adequate space for our employees to work. These improvements are necessary to meet the demands of our customers, our employees, and generate additional revenues for the Chickasaw Nation.

Presented by: Finance Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, Steve Woods, David Woerz

General Resolution Number 28-016

**Approval of Development Budget
Amendment****Ardmore Senior Center**

Explanation: This resolution approves the amendment to the Development Budget for the Ardmore Senior Center, Project Number 20-0088-09, in the amount of \$3,647,837.00 as more particularly described in Exhibit A.

The Chickasaw Nation holds its elders in high esteem and works hard to provide the best service and care for them. The Chickasaw Nation Senior Centers help enhance the quality of life for Chickasaw elders by providing programs and facilities geared for their specific needs and desires. The center provides a place for elders to come together and eat nutritious balanced meals, play games, exercise, enjoy arts and crafts, and benefit from the company of friends and family.

The existing Ardmore senior site has served the community well, but with the increased use the program has outgrown the capacity of the current location to provide adequate service to our elders. The proposed new Senior Center will allow the program to continue to grow and benefit the Ardmore and Carter County areas.

Presented by: Finance Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, Steve Woods, David Woerz

**General Resolution Number 28-017
Authorization for Acquisition of Real
Property in Johnston County**

Explanation: This Resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's request to acquire real property in Tishomingo, Johnston County, Oklahoma, to expand the Capitol Campus for Self-determination, with such real property being more particularly described as:

Lots 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Block 75, Original Townsite, Tishomingo, Johnston County, Oklahoma.

Property Location: 202 & 204

North Rennie, Tishomingo, Oklahoma

Use: Addition to Capitol Campus

Purpose: Self-determination

Presented by: Land Development Committee

Yes votes: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, Steve Woods, David Woerz

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of the Whole Meeting

January 18, 2011

Present: Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Katie Case, Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Mary Jo Green, Shana Hammond, Dean McManus, Toby Perkins, Steve Woods

Absent: David Woerz

Election Rules & Regulation Ad Hoc Committee

January 10, 2011

Present: Steve Woods, Beth Alexander, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, David Woerz

Absent: Scott Colbert, Shana Hammond

Finance Committee

January 10, 2011

Present: Linda Briggs, Nancy Elliott,

Dean McManus, Steve Woods, David Woerz

Absent: Scott Colbert, Tim Colbert

Land Development Committee

January 10, 2011

Present: Linda Briggs, Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Mary Jo Green, Steve Woods, David Woerz

Absent: Tim Colbert

Tribal Historic & Cultural Preservation Committee

January 10, 2011

Present: Beth Alexander, Katie Case, Nancy Elliott, Dean McManus, David Woerz

Absent: Shana Hammond, Toby Perkins

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